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## LETTERS TO THE EDITORS

### ALPINE RESCUE

Sirs:

I noticed in the Dec. 9 issue of LIFE in "Alpine Rescue" that Captain Ralph Tate Jr. and some big "brass" and their families were on a joy ride to see Switzerland from Vienna to Marseille. Just what gives them the privilege of using government equipment for personal recreation? Bear in mind the amount of taxpayers' money spent in their rescue, also the value of the lost plane, not to mention the disturbance caused the Swiss government.

STANLEY B. WIRSUL

Bloomfield, Conn.

Sirs:

As a former B-17 pilot and onetime clearance officer at Istres Army Air Base, France, I am curious about a few details that have not been mentioned in the press. What was Pilot Tate doing over Switzerland, probably the most dangerous flying area in Europe? Did he have any authority to deviate from the established and safe Army airways route? As of six months ago the airways route from Munich to Istres skirted the Swiss border via Besançon and Lyon. Flying over Switzerland was strictly forbidden. It is interesting to note that even if Captain Tate had cleared the range of the Bernese Alps, he would still have had to contend with the equally formidable Pennine alpine range to the south.

For his landing, Pilot Tate has earned a "well done." Has he earned anything else?

STRATTON BULL

Ann Arbor, Mich.

● The War Department says that Tate's flight was authorized and his position off-course was no greater than could have been caused by atmospheric conditions.—ED.

### GERMAN SCIENTISTS

Sirs:

I was one of the first enlisted men to work with the German scientists at Fort Bliss, Texas (LIFE, Dec. 9). Also as their first English instructor, my impressions from observing them were:

- 1) They would have worked for any country, as long as the continuation of the development of the V-2 was furthered.
- 2) They read, spoke, ate, slept and worked rocket development.
- 3) They were much more interested in the rocket itself than the politics behind it.
- 4) They were awed by the size of the U.S. and impressed by New York City, which they passed through.
- 5) They felt that the greatest mistake Hitler made was the persecution of the Jews.

THEODORE ENTlich

New York, N.Y.

Sirs:

How subtle our ways! One set of Nazis directs the German attack against us. We hang them. Another set devises the means of attack against us. We pay them "a modest salary," give them a "chance for future full-pay jobs" and U.S. citizenship.

Wasn't it Emerson who taught us that a foolish consistency is the hobgoblin of little minds?

LUTHER W. ALLISON

Williamstown, Vt.

### GASTRONOMY

Sirs:

Concerning your article, "Gastronomy" (LIFE, Dec. 9), in which the fol-

lowing recipe is recommended: place a stuffed olive in an ortolan, the ortolan in a lark, the lark in a thrush, the thrush in a quail, the quail in a partridge, the partridge in a woodcock, the woodcock in a duck, the duck in a chicken, the chicken in a pheasant, the pheasant in a goose; roast over a slow fire for 24 hours, then throw the birds away and eat the olive.

I tried it and it was terrible. The olive was mushy and bitter.

M. D. WOLFF.

West New York, N.J.

### LABOR AND THE LAW

Sirs:

I quote from your editorial, "Labor and the Law" (LIFE, Dec. 9): "If a man does not want to work, nothing can compel him to while we still embrace, as we rightly do, the principle of the sanctity of the individual as the essence of our democratic system."

Our democratic principles and the sanctity of the individual have become somewhat distorted when a man's right to refrain from working, in other words to strike, is protected at the expense of another man's right to work. . . .

WILLIAM A. KIMBEL  
President-Treasurer

Coastal Carolinian Press, Inc.  
Myrtle Beach, S.C.

Sirs:

I was very much interested in your editorial, "Labor and the Law." I think that you have done a good job of presenting the facts. This is the nation's No. 1 problem, and until it is settled we cannot even hope to continue to be a world leader.

I believe that legislation should be enacted making it a violation of the law to continue a closed shop. At the same time anyone who is now working in a closed shop should be permitted to resign from the union without prejudice. His welfare in the eyes of the union and employer should then be on his own

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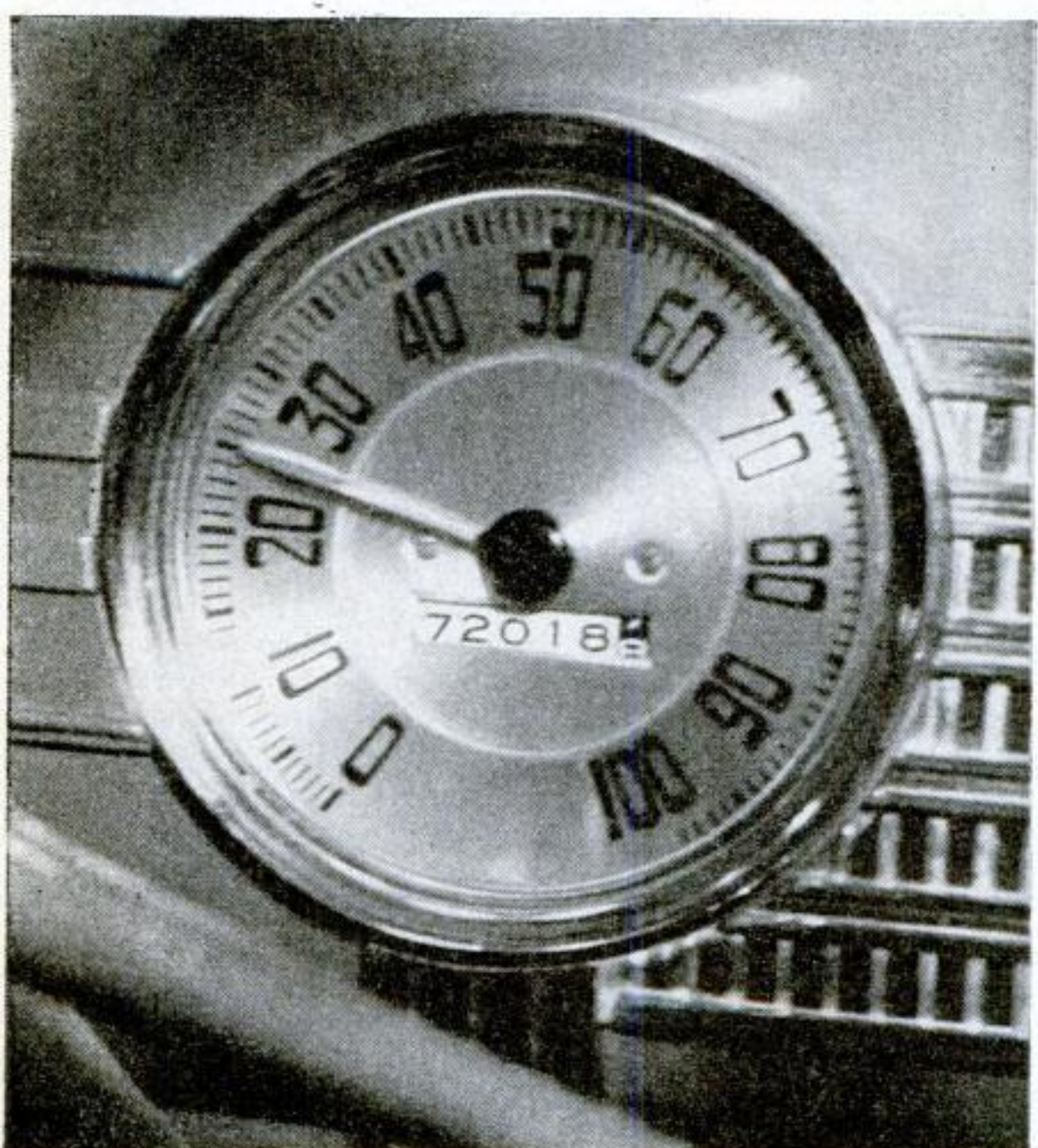
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## TYPICAL EXAMPLE: THE B. F. GOODRICH TIRE THAT OUTWEARS PREWAR TIRES

RALPH J. MORISSETTE of Ogdensburg, New York (at left in the upper picture), points to one of his B. F. Goodrich tires that still isn't worn out after 38,377 miles. Mr. Morissette writes: "I have received 38,377 miles from these tires in very difficult service on all types of roads. Many long trips were made at consistent high speeds. Also the car was used in my plumbing business, carrying heavy loads thousands of miles at a time, over country and unpaved roads.

"This mileage is far in excess of prewar tires used. While former tires broke down in service, these tires were never removed except to repair a puncture. I can truly say that your new tires most certainly can and do outwear prewar tires as stated in your advertising, since I have proof of this."

When the pictures were taken, Mr. Morissette's speedometer read 72,018 miles. When the tires were put on, the mileage was 33,641.

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record. I know from my own experience there are people who do not desire to be union members but are forced to belong in order to earn a living. I would just like to ask if this is the American way of doing things. Was this country not founded to provide freedom?...

HENRY C. MATTINGLY

Cedar City, Utah

### HEROINE

Sirs:

LIFE looks in the wrong place for heroism. The unidentified woman "laden with bundles" who tied up rush-hour traffic in Worcester for 20 minutes (LIFE, Dec. 9) by standing in front of a crowded bus is no heroine.

The woman was merely saying, "If I can't get what I want, I'll see that *nobody* gets what he needs." She displayed no admirable valor or fortitude.

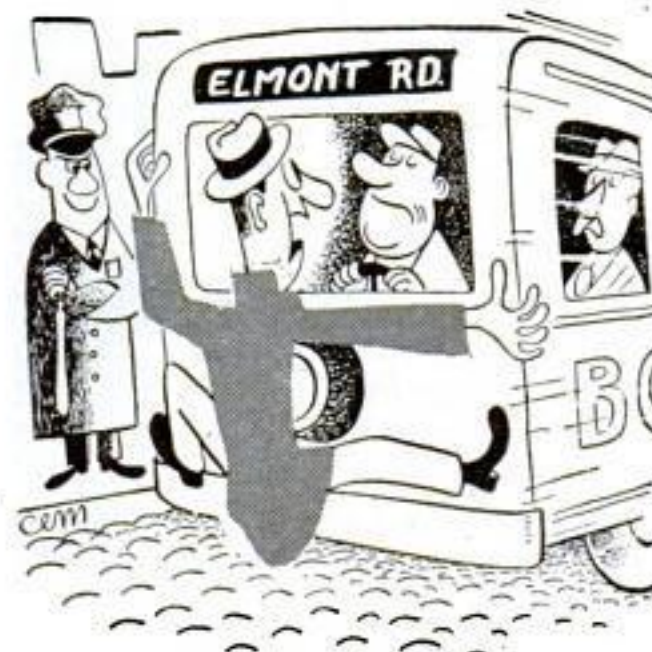
The heroes were the passengers who could smile at this display of frustrated ill-temper that caused them unnecessary inconvenience and the bus driver who accepted the situation with patient resignation....

RICHARD H. AMBERG

Scarsdale, N.Y.

Sirs:

... She did up there what I've wanted to do down here to our Frederick Avenue and Ashland bus around 5 in



the evening for several years but haven't because I know I'd draw a bus driver who would go ahead and run over me....

WILLIAM BURTON

St. Joseph, Mo.

### P-80s

Sirs:

In your article of the performance of the P-80 jet (LIFE, Dec. 9), Lieutenant Drew remarked, "The plane zooms vertically, two miles in 14 seconds."

This would indicate that the P-80 can fly faster vertically (514 mph) than the P-51 can fly horizontally....

H. L. RUSSELL

Philadelphia, Pa.

● The P-80 will fly vertically at that speed for a short distance but not for two miles.—ED.

Sirs:

In your article, "P-80s," you say that the P-51 is the world's fastest propeller-driven plane. If I'm not mistaken there is one propeller-driven plane faster than a P-51, and that is two P-51s. I refer to the P-82, which is actually two P-51s joined together to make one plane.

PHILIP N. WRIGHT JR.

Hartford, Conn.

Sirs:

... You call the P-51 the world's fastest propeller-driven plane, although it is a fairly well-known fact in aviation circles that the Republic XP-47J has

quite consistently attained speeds in excess of 500 mph.

FRANK STRNAD

Holtsville, N.Y.

● The P-51 is the fastest at 25,000 feet and above, outstripping the P-82 by 9 mph. The XP-47J is faster but is still experimental.—ED.

### THE RFC

Sirs:

The only clear-cut case of idleness I can detect in your Picture of the Week of the RFC Building (LIFE, Dec. 9) and the 40-odd employees shown is of the young lady reading the newspaper.

No doubt she is glancing at the want-ad section. Who can honestly blame her? With the impending Republican spray of DDT at all government employees, has she any other choice?...

Pfc HERMAN M. GRANT

Battle Creek, Mich.

### HUEY LONG

Sirs:

... What about the good points on the "emperor of Louisiana" (LIFE Dec. 9)? He aided greatly to put education into the reach of every one in the state and higher education extended to a far greater number than could have ever hoped to gain the same. Here also he built a big hospital and medical school composed largely of students of the above group, who maintain the best medical center in the South. Then better roads, bridges and a number of other things to start the foundation for progress of this state.

Yes, it seems Mr. Basso and other writers like him are "gossiping over the back fence" to the nation to keep telling the old story of "The Louisiana Scandal."

We don't want any of his cheap publicity—it's not good for this state. Let's gossip about some of the others for a while, *you all*.

ALBERT S. CERNICLIA

New Orleans, La.

Sirs:

... The greatest man Louisiana has ever produced is Huey Pierce Long.

E. T. RICHEY JR.

Lake Charles, La.

Sirs:

I am a Columbus, Ohio girl who married a Louisianan and have been here for two months. During that time I have learned through painful experience that there are only three rules for successful and happy living in Louisiana:

1) Never mention the Negro problem.

2) Never speak of the Civil War or Eleanor Roosevelt.

3) Huey Long's name may be mentioned only with deep reverence and must be spoken of in the same breath with George Washington, Jefferson Davis and God.

As a Yankee in the midst of Southerners, I take a deep breath and, at the risk of my neck, state that I liked your article on Huey Long.

ANNALEE BROWN JAMES

Shreveport, La.

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**BLANCHE THEROM.** Canton, Ohio choir singer shown above as Ortrud in *Lohengrin*, never sang opera until Met signed her. Unlike most Wagnerian singers, who are robust, she is svelte.



**RISÉ STEVENS.** born in New York City, looks and sings a lusty *Carmen*, loses 15 of her 138 pounds for her films, gains them back for operatic work...

## ***SPEAKING OF PICTURES . . .*** ***. . . MET HAS BIG CROP OF OPERA GLAMOUR GIRLS***



**NADINE CONNER,** of Los Angeles, here shown as Juliet, once was named opera's best-dressed woman. She began singing to exercise her diaphragm.





**MARTHA LIPTON**, also a New Yorker, makes sprightly Maddalena (above) in *Rigoletto*. She helped finance musical studies by working as a stenographer.

Several years ago the Metropolitan Opera Company decided that its singers had to have looks as well as voices. How well its glamour policy is succeeding is demonstrated on these pages. Of the 44 sopranos and contraltos on the roster of the opera house at least half today could attract wolf calls as well as bravos. Whether this situation has resulted in better opera singing is still debated by New York's more dignified music critics. But operagoers who like to see as well as hear their operatic romance are all for it. The opera glamour girls shown here stand on LIFE's cover are all American, most of them still in their 20s, and they all sing important roles. They keep themselves slim and pretty not alone for the Met but for the movies which are always on the lookout for a girl who can sing, provided she is also reasonably sexy.

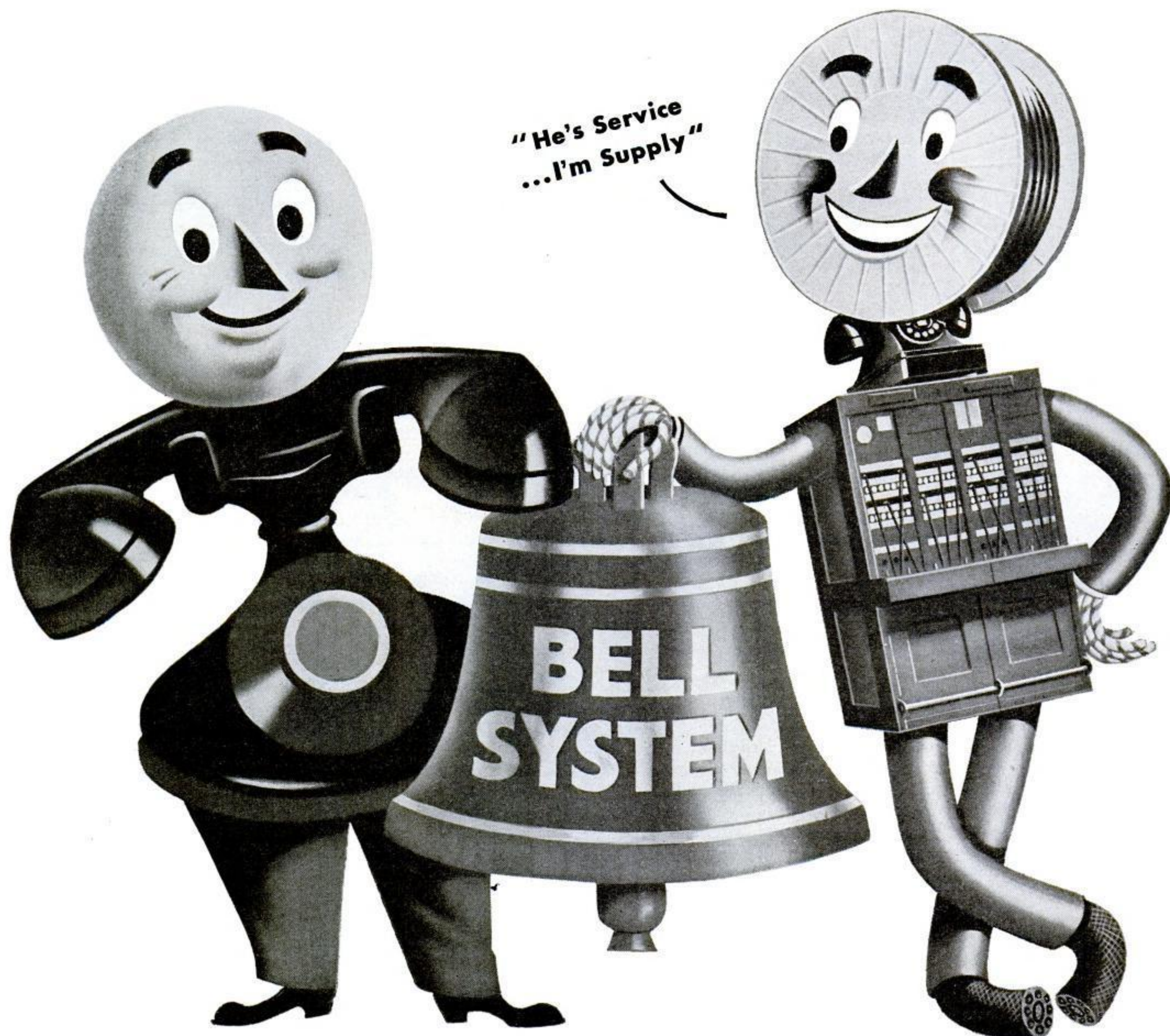


**IRENE JORDAN**, 27, comes from Birmingham, Ala. She made debut this year as slave girl (above) in *Lakmé*, has proved to be Met's prettiest new star.



**MIMI BENZELL**, 23-year-old soprano, sang on Broadway before making her opera debut in 1944. Here she tries on a gown that she will wear as Queen of the Lake Placid Sports Carnival.





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# SPEAKING OF PICTURES

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## STAR SCORNS GLAMOUR

The soprano with the greatest voice at the Metropolitan does not care to be a glamour girl. She is St. Louis-born Helen Traubel (shown as Brunnhilde), who weighs almost 200 pounds, has a 51-inch bust and scorns dieting because, she discovered, her voice grew more opulent as her figure broadened. "You've got to have plenty of stuffing to sing Wagner," she says. "I work off as much poundage during a performance as a Yale quarterback in a game against Harvard." Opera fans and critics consider her the greatest Wagnerian soprano singing today.

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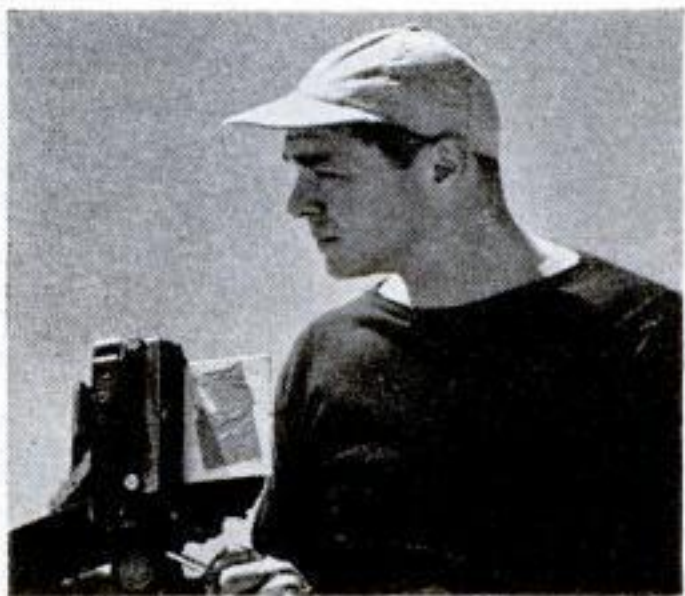
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eral water colors and two new recipes  
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for more than a year. Previously, dur-  
ing photographic assignments in the  
Arctic, he tried out reindeer meat and  
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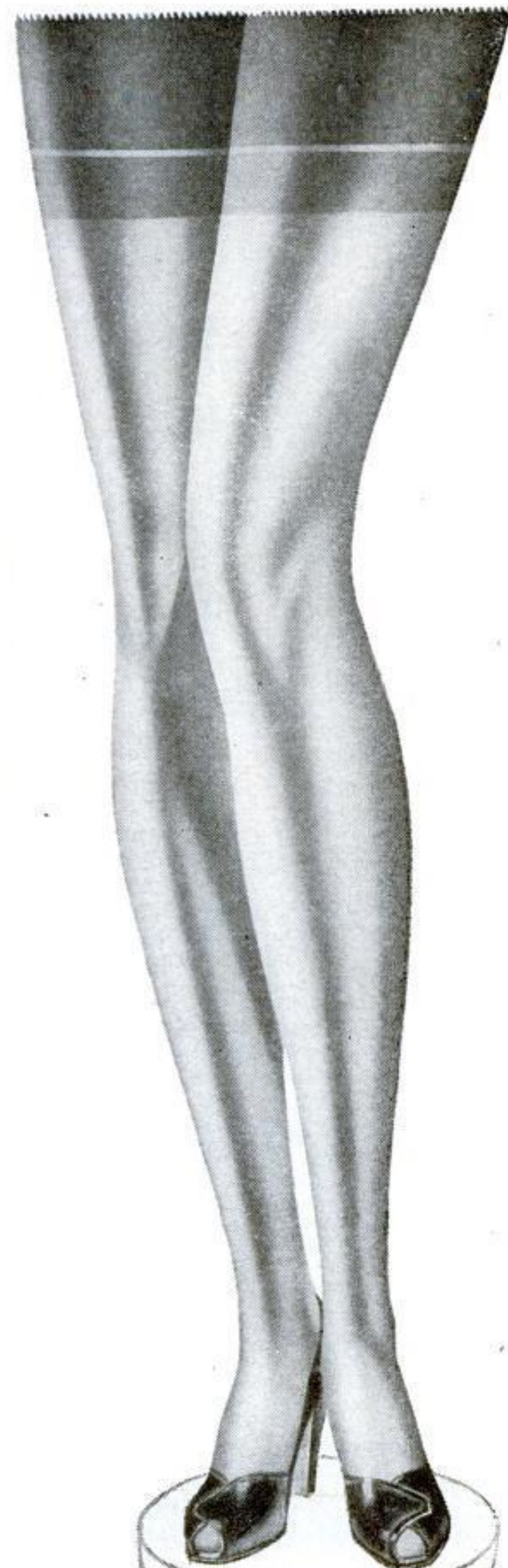
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# NEW YORK POLICE SHAKE-UP

**An election murder blows the lid off the corruption in Congressman Vito Marcantonio's seamy district**

*It was 5:45 a.m. on Election Day, 1946. Joseph Scottoriggio, a 38-year-old accountant, was walking along East 104th Street in New York City's East Harlem, carrying some Republican campaign literature and a model voting machine. Scottoriggio was an election district captain on his way to his post near the polls and hurrying to get there on time. As he came near First Avenue, four men walked quietly up out of the dark. Two of them watched out for the cops, who would be patrolling in force on Election Day. The other two men grabbed Joe Scottoriggio and "gave him his lumps." They battered his face, knocked him down, kicked him savagely. Then they melted away. An ambulance came whining up*

This was just another mugging in East Harlem,

a river-side slice of Manhattan inhabited by beggar-poor Italians, Negroes and Puerto Ricans. Almost every night in this neighborhood people are beaten and robbed. Even the fact that Joe Scottoriggio died six days later would not have caused any excitement except for a couple of special factors. For one thing, he was mugged on Election Day at the end of a violent campaign. For another, Scottoriggio had been an active opponent of East Harlem's tough, pro-Communist political boss, Representative Vito Marcantonio.

The police began their usual routine investigation, the kind that gets nowhere and dies quickly. But people and newspapers began asking some embarrassing questions. Republican Governor Tom

Dewey took a sharp interest in the case. He was supposed to have threatened to appoint a special prosecutor for the investigation if New York's District Attorney Frank Hogan, a Democrat, did not move fast enough. Dewey denied this but suddenly things began to move. The heat was on.

The New York police department got its most drastic shake-up since 1928 when the bigtime gambler, Arnold Rothstein, was fatally shot, a crime which has never been solved. East Harlem's cops were shifted, demoted. Some of them resigned in a hurry. As the new cops arrived in the district, the glare of publicity was suddenly thrown full on Vito Marcantonio's dingy little realm, one of the most crime-ridden sections in any American city.





**THE BOSS COP** of the district, newly promoted in the shake-up, is Assistant Chief Inspector Frank Fristensky Jr. (in uniform), shown here with newly appointed top cops. Fristensky is a soft-spoken, cold-eyed veteran.

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**SCOTTORIGGIO'S DEATH** after the beating started the shake-up. Here his wife Cecelia, who saw the beating from her window, weeps at his bier. When a congressional committee sought to question her, she left town.



**QUITTING UNDER FIRE**, Assistant Chief Inspector John De Martino, head of the district's police, left the department when the scandal broke. De Martino resigned after a two-minute conference with police commissioner.



**EIGHT-YEAR-OLD PICTURE**, published this year in a New York Daily Mirror exposé of Marcantonio, shows a

## THE CHARACTERS

The police shake-up really shook East Harlem. Plain-clothesmen were demoted and put back in uniform. Delinquent cops were sent pounding beats in the Bronx and Brooklyn, "Siberias" of New York police. High-ranking officers grown fat at their desks were ordered to take physical examinations, a device which usually brings on their resignations.

The new men in East Harlem were told to get Scottoriggio's killers or else. Two of the country's biggest criminals, Joey Rao and "Trigger Mike" Coppola (below, right), were clapped in jail. There they were held in the highest possible bail and the usually successful devices to spring them failed. The devious trails in the Scottoriggio case led police into gambling joints, which they really raided, and into one of the biggest narcotic rings in the U.S.

All this mess and scandal was bad for the man Joe Scottoriggio had been trying to beat, 44-year-old, hunch-shouldered, radical politician Vito Marcantonio, who for nine years has been boss of the district. "Marc" has had the district so tightly sewed up that in two campaigns he has been the candidate of Democratic, Republican and American Labor parties. In Washington, Marcantonio was a hard worker,



**PROMOTIONS** came to some cops as a result of shake-up. Here Police Commissioner Arthur Wallander, who was put on spot by the scandal, promotes George Colgan and Martin Johnson while Colgan's granddaughters watch.





him seated (second from right) next to "Spanish Rose" Conde, a famed New York vice queen, at a Harlem party.

## They include narcotics, gangsters, politicians and a new team of cops

expert parliamentarian and kindly protector of his constituents. In New York, he ran his district with the tested methods of a city politician. People who thought his legislative record progressive and honest still did not like the way he ran his district. Still less did they like his devotion to the Communist party line. A pre-1941 opponent of preparedness who once linked Roosevelt and Hitler in a speech, he became an ardent supporter of the President's policy after Russia was attacked.

This year Marcantonio's powers seemed to be slipping. He lost the Republican primaries to a political unknown named Frederick Bryan, and he realized that he would have to get the vote out on Election Day. He did, and he beat Bryan. When the votes were counted it turned out that of the 87,793 eligible voters in the district, 84,831 or 96.6% actually voted, an amazing record even for Marc's devoted following. A congressional committee investigating this phenomenon announced last week that it had found no evidence of coercion or intimidation. But it added a belief "appears to exist" that there was widespread fraud and recommended that the new Congress continue the investigation.



**THE BOSS POLITICIAN** of East Harlem is Congressman Vito Marcantonio, who sits here in his downtown

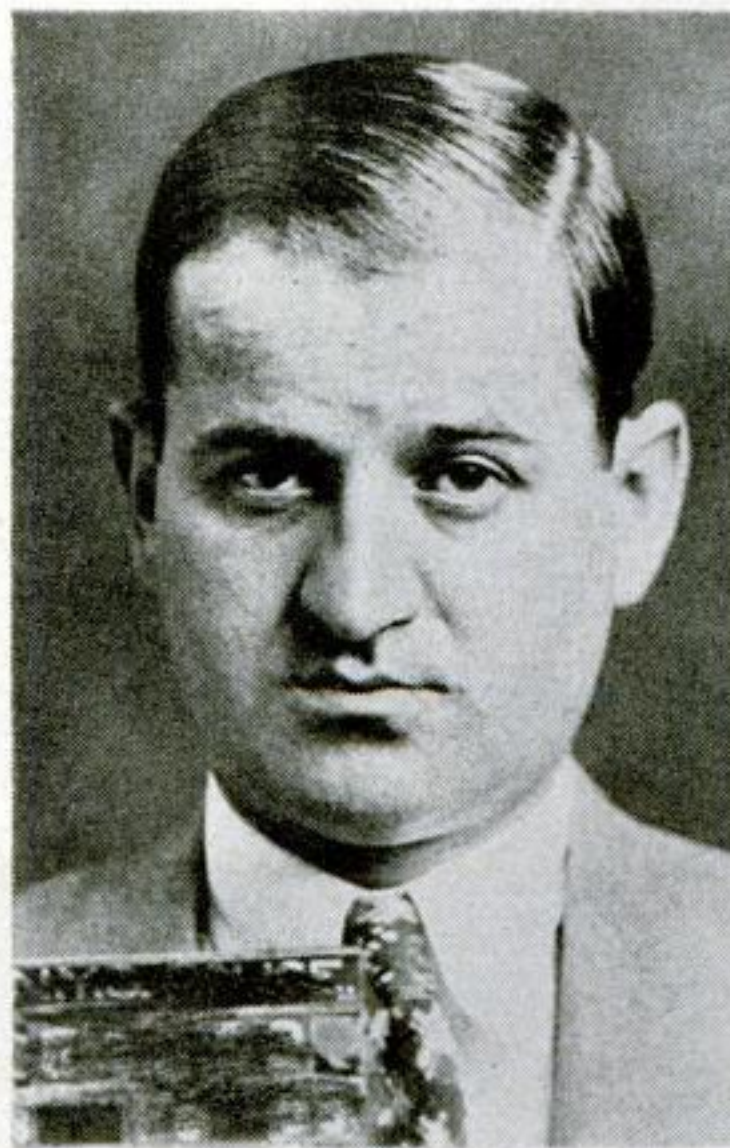
law office facing the photographer with bold, cynical eyes. Marc dresses quietly, makes passionate, shrill speeches.



**SUPREME COURT JUSTICE** Aaron Levy reduced bail for gangsters police arrested. Move was blocked by District Attorney Frank Hogan, who appealed.



**JOEY RAO**, arrested at least 16 times since 1920 and reputedly an underworld kingpin, was held in \$250,000 bail as a material witness in Scottoriggio killing.



**"TRIGGER MIKE"** Coppola was arrested with Rao and held on same high bail. Coppola has been arrested 27 times for such crimes as homicide, grand larceny.

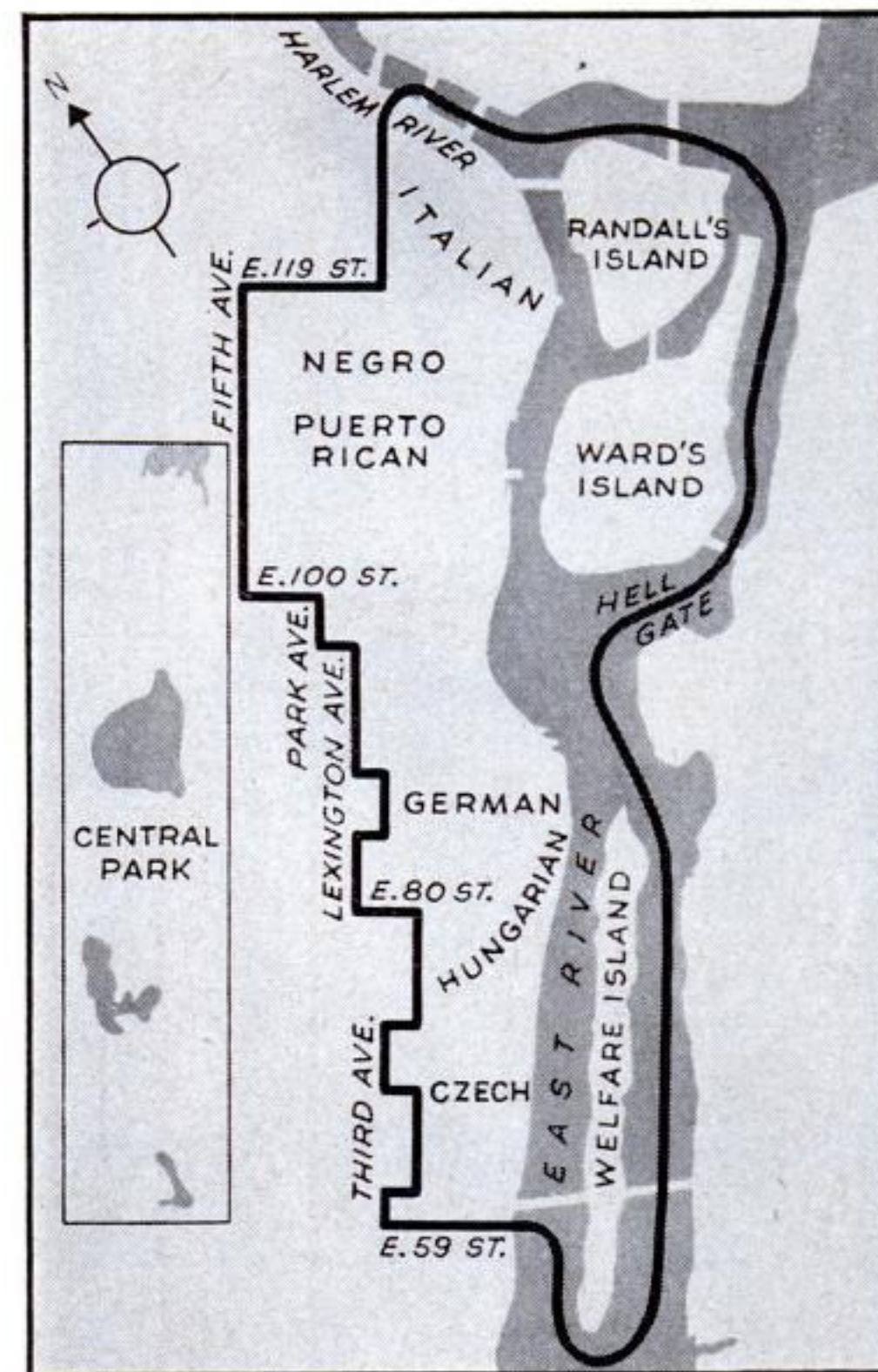


**FRANK COSTELLO**, alleged king of all Harlem rackets, was accused of running the drug rings. Indignant, he set precedent by calling a press conference to deny this.





EAST HARLEM'S PLAYGROUNDS ARE RUBBISH-LITTERED STREETS. POSTER LINKS "MARC" AND ROOSEVELT



18TH DISTRICT is dominated by the foreign-born. On Ward and Welfare Islands are prisons and hospitals.

## MARC'S DISTRICT

People are foreign-born and poor.

Mostly slums, the 18th Congressional District of New York contains few good neighborhoods. By day grimy youngsters play stickball in tenement-lined streets that at night are prowled by muggers, sluggers and white-slavers. Gambling flourishes, from nightly poker sessions in the many political clubs to lotteries so dear to the heart of the Latin population. Trucks that roll through its streets laden with silks and wools are frequently hijacked. Most people in the district are poor and hard-working, taking no part in and getting no profit from the corruption that surrounds them. But when the police come around, they "dummy up", say nothing.



EXPENSIVE APARTMENTS are sandwiched in among slums along the fringes of Marc's district. 120 East End Ave. (above) is in a wealthy colony along the East River.



TO COMBAT HIJACKING, armed guards sit atop a truck carrying woolens along 104th Street. Many trucks are sent into area under convoy. Still they are hijacked.





**THE PEOPLE OF THE DISTRICT** can see Marc (*left, rear*) each Sunday from 2 to 8 p.m. Constituents call on him in his basement political club, sometimes wait hours to lay

before him their problems—a family quarrel, heatless tenement, a “burial money” loan. Coldly efficient Marc listens, then assigns one of four secretaries (*right, rear*) to help.



# GET A HORSE

## UNRRA'S END STILL LEAVES AMERICANS FACED WITH THE BIG JOB OF WORLD REHABILITATION

The bells pealing for the festivities with which Americans greet the New Year will also, by grotesque coincidence, sound the knell of what has popularly and not inaccurately been called "the most ambitious humanitarian effort ever undertaken by mankind." On Dec. 31 the United Nations Relief and Rehabilitation Administration goes into liquidation, rejected, scorned, unsung.

It is bad enough to set this precedent of failure and abandonment, worse that we are not profiting from the mistakes. The American people, whether they like it or not, will be principal factors in rebuilding the world for the next 10 years, and the confusion over UNRRA adds to their false fears and ignorance as they approach the job ahead. The American Christian knows, too, that the needs of his neighbors have a special significance. For, as Thomas Jefferson noted with pleased surprise, whereas the great Greek philosophers had concerned themselves primarily with man's duty to himself, Jesus taught of man's duty to his neighbor.

### UNRRA's Troubles

In UNRRA we had some promising answers to the question of Christian neighborliness. In its original concept UNRRA was sweepingly right. But at the very outset it ran into dictionary trouble. It was supposed to administer *relief*, or emergency aid. It was also supposed to administer *rehabilitation*, which means "to restore to solvency, efficiency." In its best sense rehabilitation aims at that ultimate charity which lifts the recipient above the need for charity. Under relief you buy an indigent man a meal. Under rehabilitation you find him a job, perhaps repair the machinery in the factory where he works or prime it with raw materials, and leave him buying his own meals. But at its very first organization meeting UNRRA, alarmed at the noises the U.S. Congress was making, imposed upon itself a strict and crippling limitation on rehabilitation. In serious measure UNRRA was thus licked before it got fairly started.

To compound UNRRA's difficulties, France, Belgium, the Netherlands, Norway, Denmark became sharply conscious that Russia was to be a prominent member of the organization destined to dole out relief within their borders and began to see bears behind the door. Proclaiming that they could pay for their own relief, they barred UNRRA from contact with their needy citizens. UNRRA's supplies naturally went where they could. Italy received by far the greatest tonnage (in great part coal). Greece came next, then China, Yugoslavia, Poland, Czechoslovakia, Austria, the Ukraine, Albania, Byelorussia, in that order. In parts of Eastern Europe, UNRRA food apparently accounted for half of the caloric ration received by the people. Counting in the clothing, fuel, health services and that limited form of rehabilitation that could be regarded as virtually part of relief, UNRRA supplies must be credited with saving many hundreds of thousands, if not millions, of lives. Many more will be saved before UNRRA pipelines run dry. And of course this work has been supplemented—and must be continued—by the host of fine private charities in the field.

But even this heart-warming accomplishment could not prevent international backbiting. It

was noted that a volume of UNRRA's supplies was disappearing behind the Iron Curtain. Was UNRRA for the relief and rehabilitation of the Soviet sphere of influence? The reply was that in Greece, UNRRA workers wore British army uniforms. To make matters worse, UNRRA seemed cursed with inefficiency.

For all these reasons LIFE more than a year ago proposed that UNRRA be abolished and superseded by a new, bigger and better organization aimed at rehabilitation. Since that time the hullabaloo over UNRRA has mounted. The climax came when it was disclosed that ships were loading in New York Harbor with UNRRA supplies for Yugoslavia at the very moment Tito's guns were shooting down U.S. planes.

### U.S. Policy

UNRRA was killed early this month when the U.S., which has paid 72% of UNRRA's way, made it plain it would contribute no more. From now on the U.S. is a lone wolf in the relief business and will operate under four negative limitations which the State Department mistakenly advances as positive policies: 1) need must be proved, 2) there must be full accounting, 3) recipient governments will not be permitted to feed political friends while starving foes, 4) food and goods "desperately" needed here will not be given to countries that divert their men and materials to military purposes.

These are practical answers to the criticisms of UNRRA. But when LaGuardia attacked these policies as playing politics with food, the State Department in a burst of Aunty-knows-best righteousness merely let it be known that its four principles brought a mail response that was favorable by 9 to 1. All this proves is that a lot of Americans, including the State Department and LaGuardia, can be wrong. They can be wrong because they fret and fuss over *relief* when they should be constructively working for *rehabilitation*.

LIFE cabled some of its key foreign correspondents for an appraisal of present needs as well as a comparison of the situation this winter with last. Generally affairs are better in northwest Europe, no better and perhaps worse in southeast Europe. Reports Paris: "... There are still some sections that desperately lack the commonest consumer goods. ... Top demand is for warm clothing, especially for children. ... One of most spectacular shortages is the lowly diaper, at a time when France is expecting more babies than in years."

This textile shortage, in a country that had a big textile industry, is largely due to lack of coal to run the mills. Everywhere in northwest Europe and in Italy coal is the key problem. It is needed to supply power, run trains, keep people warm and working. To restore full coal exports from the Ruhr would do more for these parts of Europe than loading of all the ships we own with food.

From Warsaw: "Polish officials estimate necessary 1947 imports at \$480,000,000, of which one quarter is food, one half raw materials including cotton, wool, iron ore, and one quarter industrial and agricultural machinery." In other words, the need even in that devastated country is one quarter for relief, three quarters for the implements of rehabilitation.

From Vienna: "Austria still needs relief help most of all countries in eastern and central Europe. Vienna is sorest foodless spot. Hungarians need most credits for agricultural machinery so they can export foods again, restore internal economy. Czechoslovakia, short on fats, also needs fertilizers, tractors, rubber for tires."

From Rome: "If ... we simply feed and supply through straightforward relief organizations we are not really doing anything to rebuild the economy of the various countries and we may have to go on giving relief for years. ..."

### Harness and Horse

In *The Merchant of Venice*, Portia remarks, "If to do were as easy as to know what were good to do, chapels had been churches and poor men's cottages princes' palaces." That is a deft human excuse, but it is not an acceptable Christian answer. How will we restore full Ruhr coal production and exports? How shall we revitalize the French textile industry, supply Poland, Hungary and a half-dozen other countries with fertilizers, tractors and trucks? Rehabilitation is a vaster job, apparently, than war-making.

There are many specific things that should be done. We must, for example, work with the British as our zones in Germany are merged. Perhaps our technology and push can hasten affairs in the Ruhr. As a part of this we must, of course, support General Clay's ideas for a fair sharing of occupation costs. And for the good of the recovery of the European economy we should support his proposals for certain rehabilitation in Germany. Too, we should repeal the Trading With the Enemy Act and our businessmen should be encouraged, and aided, in reopening normal channels of trade throughout the world. We should now augment the capital of the Export-Import Bank and get hustling with the World Bank.

When we begin we will find we have plenty of domestic and world agencies and organizations, public and private. They provide plenty of harness for the task. But the thing lacking is a good horse. The horse we need is an informed public opinion that wants energetically to do something and is able to broaden the present preoccupation with food into a dynamic interest in *rehabilitation*. That's the horse Christian neighbors need. In 1946 we made much harness. In 1947 let us hitch it to a strong horse.

### PICTURE OF THE WEEK: ➔

Over the years the streets of Shanghai, crowded with peddlers and vendors, have been fertile ground for black-market racketeering. Recently Shanghai's new "reform" mayor, K. C. Wu, clamped some 200 unlicensed sidewalk hawkers into the Whangpoo jail in one day. For the next two days other vendors and their sympathizers, possibly egged on by communist agitators, rioted throughout the city and tried to free their fellow businessmen from prison. In front of the jail armed police managed to push the demonstrators back up the street. But before the riots subsided the following morning, more than 100 Chinese had been injured. Later it was announced that the prisoners had been released before the riots had even begun.





MOB OF RIOTING STREET VENDORS IN SHANGHAI  
IS FORCED BACK WITH RIFLES AND BAYONETS





# MINNEAPOLIS INFERNO

**Spectacular fire destroys \$2,000,000 worth of grain**

This remarkable photograph, showing a mass of seething flame at the Union Elevator of Minneapolis, was made at the moment the roof fell in, creating dozens of explosions and bursts of fire from one end of the building to the other. More than a million bushels of barley which had been stored in the largest wooden structure of its kind in the U.S. were ablaze. The time was shortly after the flames were discovered at midnight of Dec. 18. The fire, which raged uncontrolled through the next morning, was so brilliant that its glow





was seen by airplane pilots as far away as Fargo, N.Dak. The wreckage, which was still furnace-hot after several days, will probably continue to smolder for weeks.

Unless some of the underlying grain can be salvaged for horse and cattle feed, the wooden structure and its contents will be a total loss. The Froedtert Grain & Malting Co., owner of the elevator, has estimated the damage at \$600,000 to the building and \$2,000,000 to the grain, all insured. But this

figure may go a great deal higher because another \$3,000,000 worth of barley was stored in a concrete addition, separated from the wooden structure by a fire wall which might have given way under the terrible heat. The cause of the fire was undetermined. But a constant danger wherever grain is stored is spontaneous combustion, in which the air slowly oxidizes the kernels, creating heat. Then the grain mass rises in temperature until it bursts into flame or explodes the grain dust which frequently hangs in the air despite all precautions.





WERFEL, A 6-YEAR-OLD AUSTRIAN ORPHAN, BEAMS WITH UNBOUNDED JOY AS HE CLASPS A NEW PAIR OF SHOES PRESENTED TO HIM BY THE AMERICAN RED CROSS

## EUROPE'S CHILDREN

Christmas brings joy and sadness

For many of Europe's children there was a Santa Claus this Christmas. When a big box from the American Red Cross arrived at Vienna's Am Himmel orphanage, shoes and coats and dresses tumbled out. Like the youngster (*above*), the children who had seen no new clothes throughout the war smiled to high heaven. But for thousands of other European

children there was no Santa Claus. When a boatload of illegal Jewish immigrants arrived at Haifa, Palestine recently, two Polish children (*opposite*) got separated from their parents. Tears filled the eyes of the boy, and his wan sister clutched him protectively. They were later reunited with their parents, but the whole family was shipped to Cyprus.





THEIR PARENTS LOST, JEWISH  
BOY AND GIRL FEARFULLY AWAIT  
DEPORTATION FROM PALESTINE

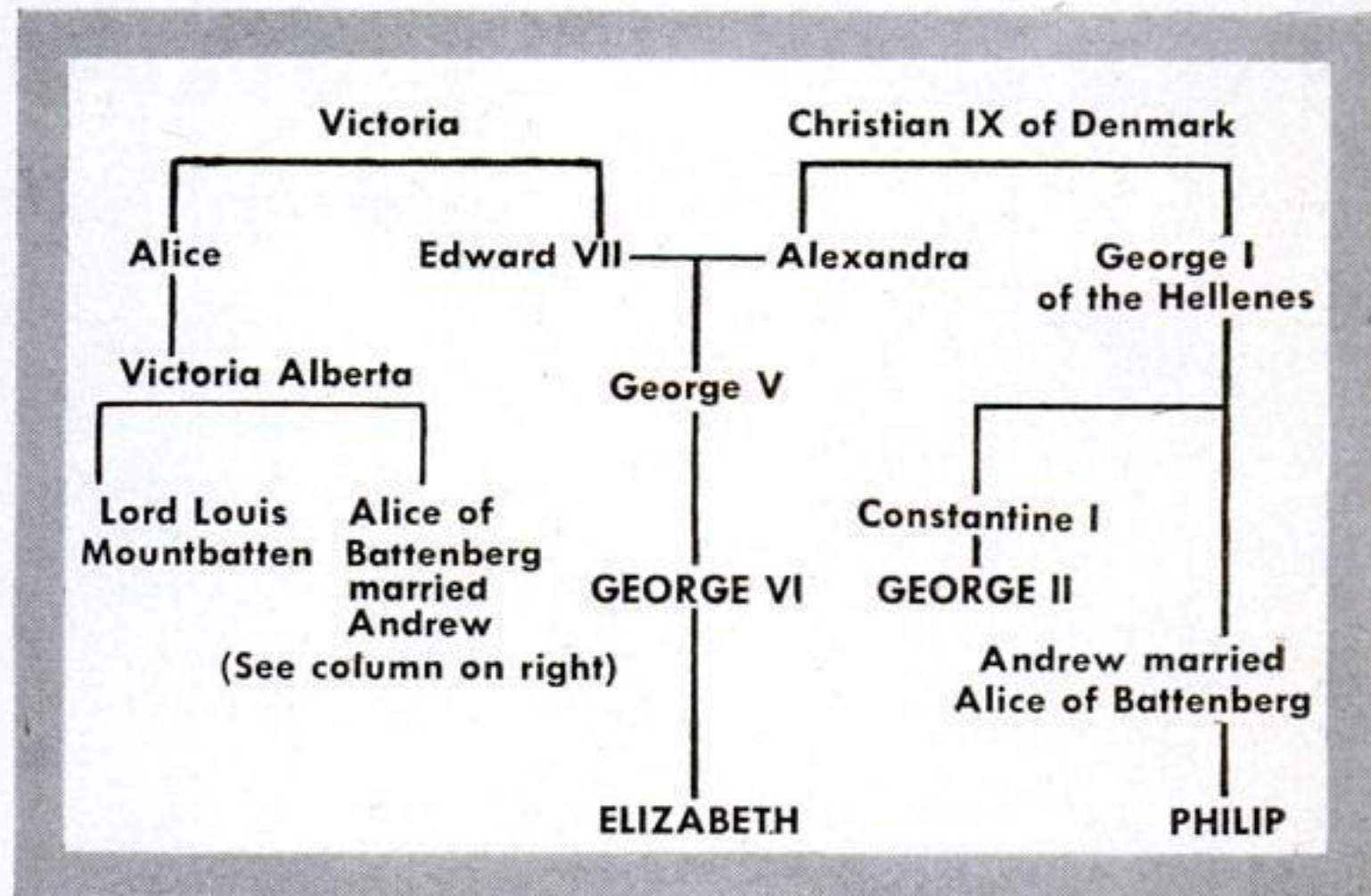




PRINCE PHILIP (FAR RIGHT), IN BRITISH NAVAL UNIFORM, APPEARED ON EQUAL FOOTING WITH ROYAL FAMILY AT WEDDING OF MOUNTBATTEN'S DAUGHTER. PRINCESS



**LAST PREVIOUS CONSORT** was Queen Victoria's husband. Her marriage in 1840 to a German princeling, Albert of Saxe-Coburg-Gotha, aroused criticism among English Tories. In the old engraving above, Victoria and Albert are shown with their first child, also named Victoria, who became Empress of Germany and mother of Kaiser Wilhelm II.



**FAMILY TREES** of Elizabeth and Philip are closely intertwined. They are great-great-grandchildren of Victoria and King Christian of Denmark, as shown above. Their cousinship is closer due to marriage of Alice of Battenberg to Andrew of Greece, which makes couple third cousins on one side of tree and second cousins once removed on other.



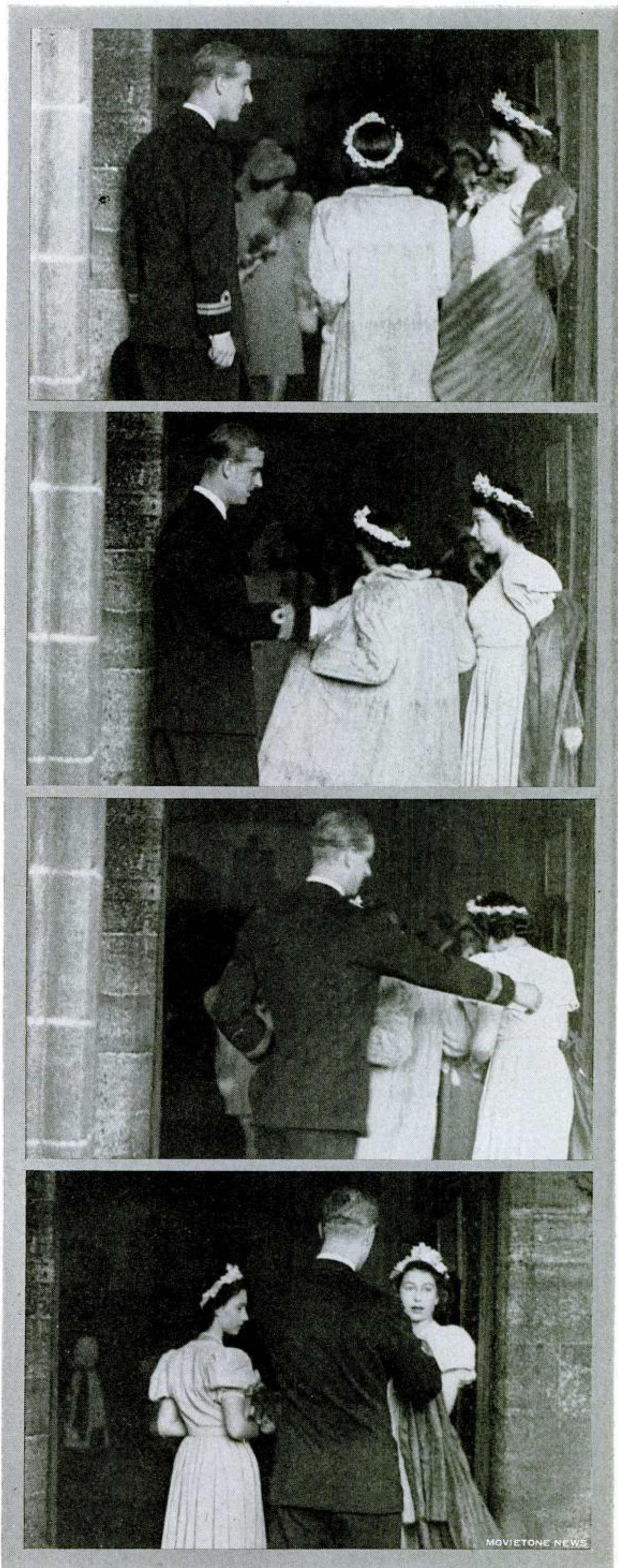


ELIZABETH (LEFT) AND HER SISTER, PRINCESS MARGARET, WERE BRIDESMAIDS

# ELIZABETHAN ROMANCE

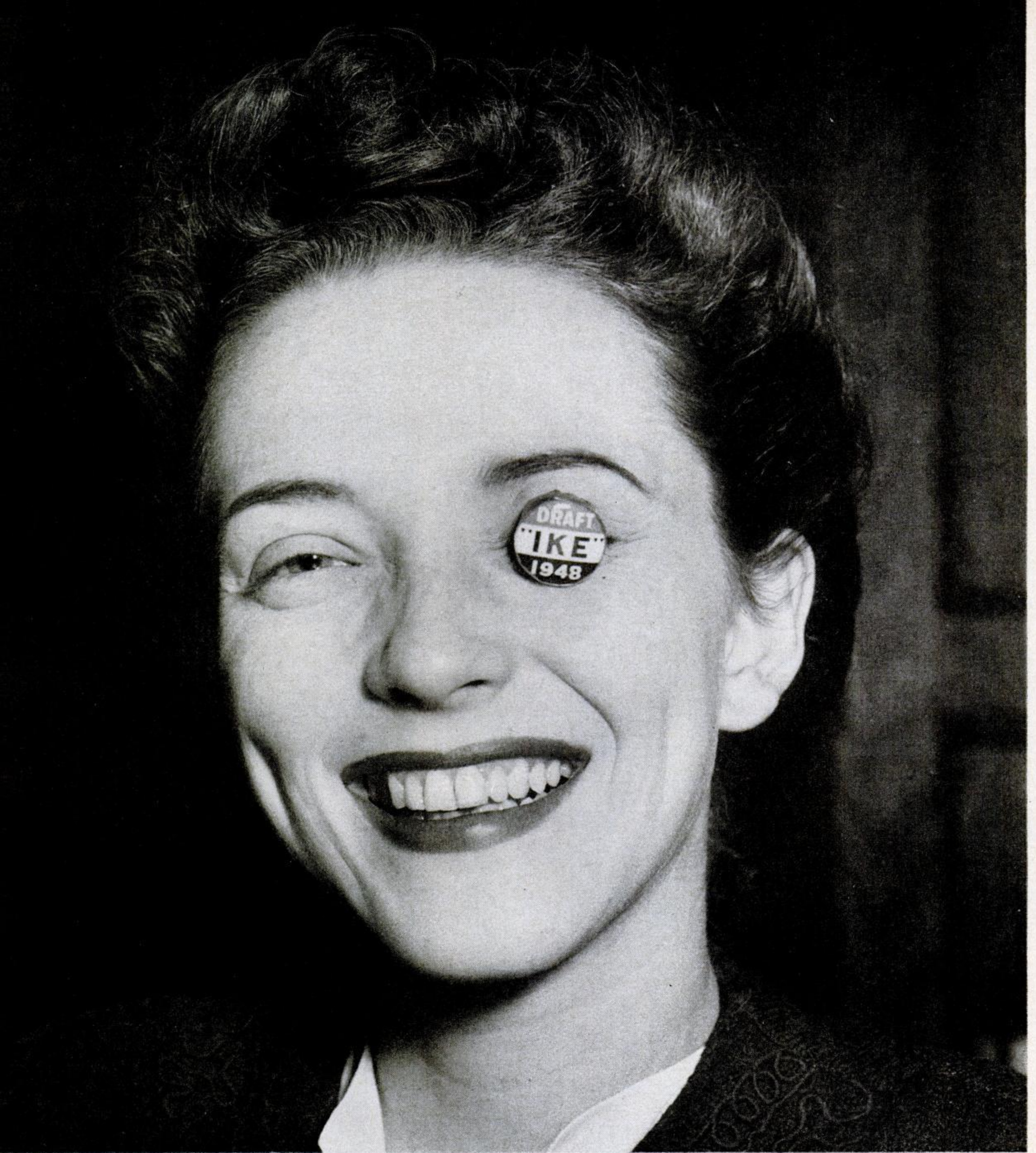
Prince Philip seems to have won family's approval

Mayfair drawing rooms and British newspapers had buzzed for months. Despite an official palace denial, the royal family behaved as though the rumors were true. The blossoming heiress-presumptive to the British throne, Princess Elizabeth, 20, was in love and planning to marry Prince Philip of Greece. The blond, handsome prince, who is 25, stayed a month this fall with the royal family at Balmoral, made numerous beaming public appearances with them, escorted an equally beaming Elizabeth everywhere. Not since the days of Victoria has Britain had a prince consort, and the prospect of Philip in that role did not appeal to Communists and some Laborites. They feared this implied an even closer alliance with Philip's first cousin, King George of the Hellenes, despite the fact that Philip was educated in England and served in the British navy. The *Daily Worker* said such a union "would be a plain slap in the face of British democracy." But these yippings did not seem to deter the princess. London talk was that once Philip was naturalized in February and the princess turned 21 in April, their engagement would be made official and the wedding date set.



**THE PRINCE'S GALLANTRY** was put to the test when he escorted the two princesses into Mountbatten wedding. In top picture Elizabeth has started to take off her coat. Philip (second picture) starts to assist Margaret, then, too late, reaches for Elizabeth's coat, abandoning sister (third picture). Finally he carries both coats into church.





IN WASHINGTON, MISS ELIZABETH SHELTON DISPLAYS ONE OF THE EISENHOWER-FOR-PRESIDENT BUTTONS WHICH HAVE TURNED UP IN MYSTERIOUS PROFUSION

## BOOM FOR "IKE"

Buttons backing General appear  
while Taft and Dewey play coy

Last week produced startling evidence that the 1948 presidential conventions are already stirring the emotions of both voters and possible candidates. The first big popular boom, for War Hero Dwight Eisenhower, reached the point where DRAFT "IKE" buttons began appearing in some strange places around Washington (*above*). But nobody knew whether General Ike was a Republican or a Democrat. Moreover a new FORTUNE poll pricked a lot of politico-military bubbles by showing that only

16% of the veterans want to see General MacArthur a candidate and only 31% favor Eisenhower.

Meanwhile former Navy Captain Harold Stassen spoke right out and admitted he was a candidate. But Senator Taft said he did not now consider himself an "active candidate." When a reporter asked Tom Dewey, "Are you ready to announce your candidacy?" Dewey firmly replied, "Certainly not." The reporter tried again: "Certainly not ready?" Said Tom Dewey, "Certainly not period."



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LEAPING HIGH OVER A BARBED-WIRE FENCE,  
GOLDEN RETR EVER RETURNS WITH PHEASANT





IN FINAL TEST, DOGS SIT QUIETLY WHILE A PHEASANT IS SHOT. WHEN SECOND PHEASANT IS SHOT ON OTHER SIDE OF VALLEY, ONE DOG MUST RETRIEVE BOTH BIRDS

## RETRIEVER TRIALS

Rigorous tests in Illinois pick  
a U.S. champion from 20 top dogs

The alert group of dogs in the picture below is a sight to tantalize any sportsman. These are the 20 best retrievers in the U.S. Any one of them, at a signal from his master, will instantly locate a shot bird and bring it back, whether it is a duck floating far out on the water or a pheasant hidden in thick cover. Last fortnight these dogs were brought together at the national field trials near Herrin, Ill. to pick a U.S. champion. Faced with an almost fault-

less group of contestants, the judges devised the stiffest eliminations ever used in a trial. They hid dead pheasants in the grass with no clues to lead the dogs to them, planted ducks on a point far out in a lake. At the trials' start the favorite was a young black Labrador named Little Pierre of Deer Creek. But the winner was 7-year-old Shed of Arden, champion in 1942 and 1943. Shed followed instructions so perfectly that his master said, "You can drive him like a car."



**THE 20 TOP RETRIEVERS** in the U.S. are (from left to right, front row) Royal Peter Golden Boy, Tonkahof Esther Belle, Cliff's Patrick, Bayle. Second row: Firelei of Deer Creek, Black Magic of Audlon, Fireleis Hornet, Tiger of Clipper City, Stilrovin Nitro

Express. Third row: Black Panther, Black Roland of Koshkonong, Scoronine of Deer Creek, Bengal of Arden, Sir Jock. Back row: Little Pierre of Deer Creek, Shed of Arden, Marvadel Black Gum, Honey Chile Trixie, Kieth's Black Magic and Bracken's Sweep.





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## SHED OF ARDEN PASSES HARDEST TEST



**SHED IS "SENT"** by master, Paul Bakewell of St. Louis, in the general direction of a dead duck which has been hidden on a point of land in the lake.



**CARRYING THE DUCK**, Shed runs out of water past gallery. Although he is losing some speed with age, he is calm and businesslike during trials.



## TO BECOME CHAMPION U.S. RETRIEVER



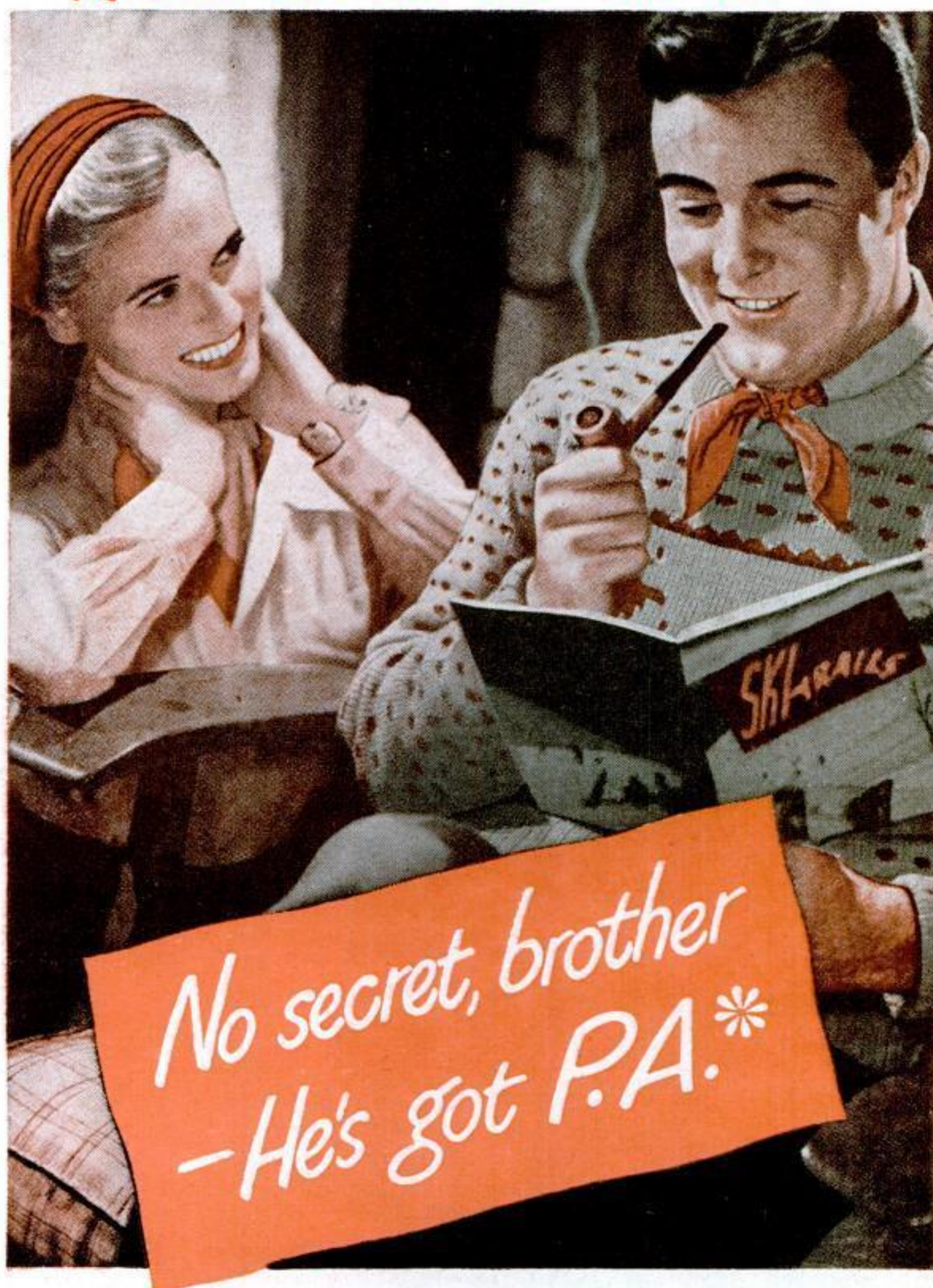
**SHED IS DIRECTED** to swim out toward point (background). When Bakewell blows his whistle, Shed will look around again for further hand signals.



**SHED DELIVERS DUCK** to Bakewell. Duck is then inspected by judges. If any of bird's bones are broken, the retriever is automatically disqualified.

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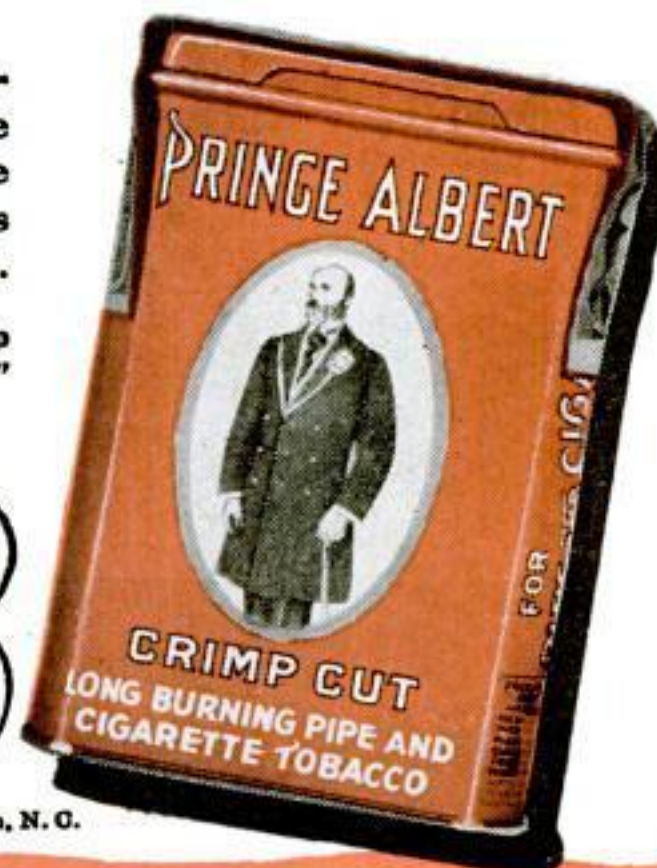
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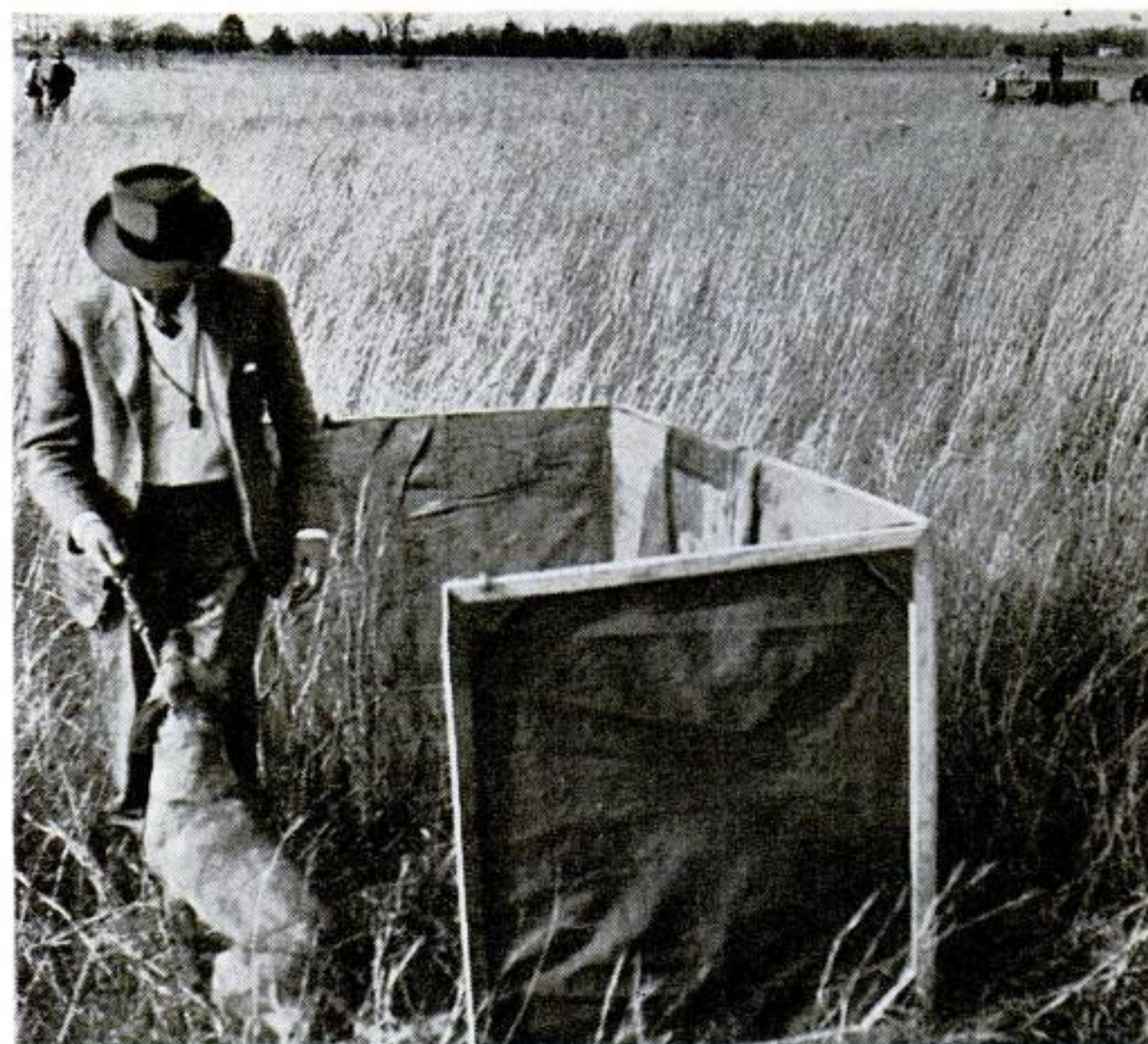
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## Retriever Trials CONTINUED



**DOG STANDS BEHIND SCREEN** while men on wagon (*background*) hide pheasant. The wagon is used because retrievers can trace the scent of men.



**CHAMPION AND FAVORITE** rest before trials. Champion Shed of Arden is at left, Little Pierre of Deer Creek at right. Both are black Labradors.



**SADDEST PERFORMANCE** was that of Scoronine of Deer Creek, who wandered aimlessly through the decoys. Owner's directions only confused him.





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# THE WEST INDIES

## AGAIN THEY OFFER AMERICANS A PARADISE OF LUSH BEAUTY

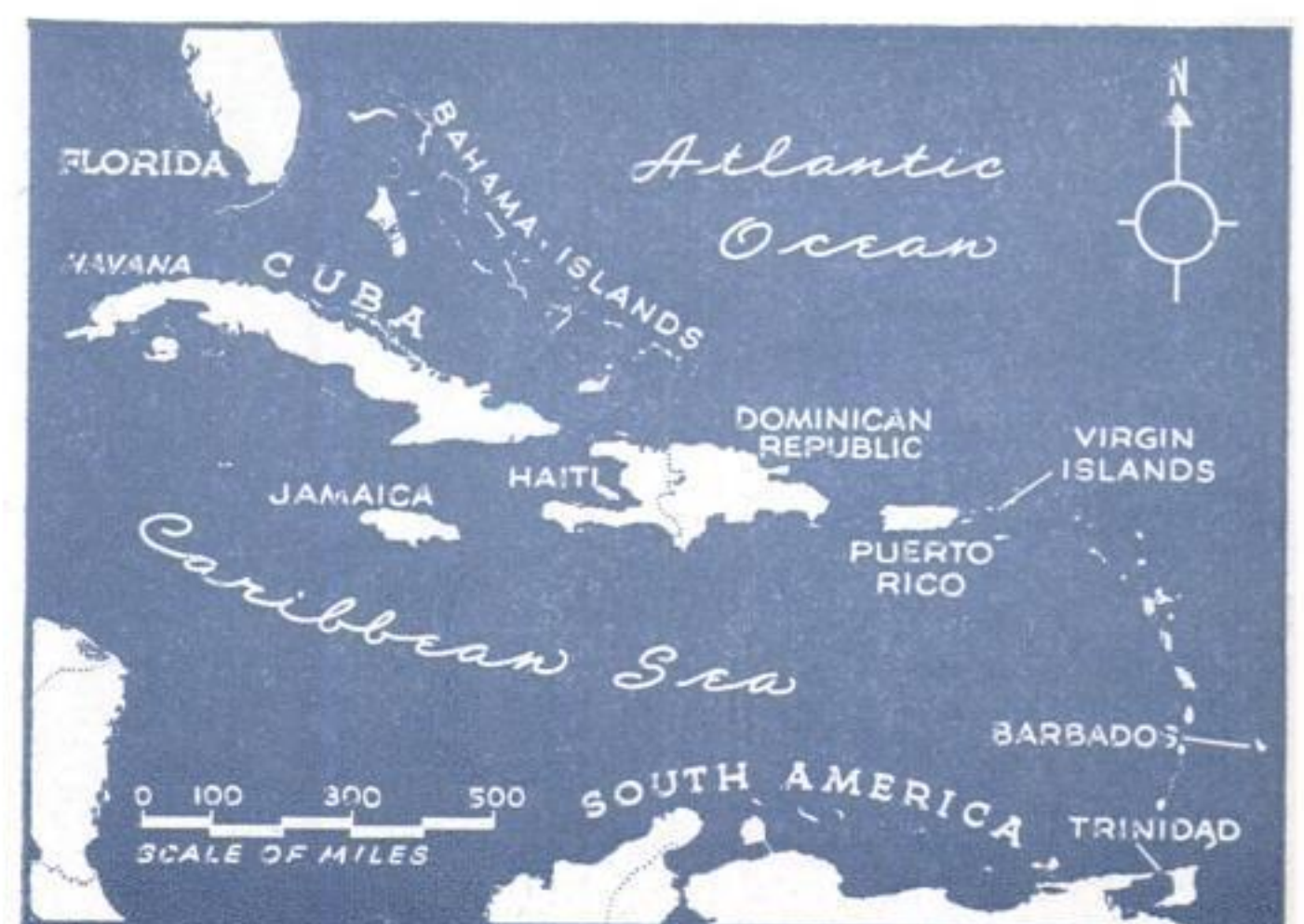
PHOTOGRAPHS FOR LIFE BY ELIOT ELISOFON

**O**F all the overseas vacation spots favored by Americans, the West Indies is the first one since the war to invite tourist trade on anything like a prewar scale. This winter some 225,000 U. S. tourists will visit the West Indies—more than twice as many as went last winter. Most of them must travel by air, for only a few passenger ships have been reconverted to peacetime service. But the West Indies are definitely back on the tourists' map and are once again, for busy Americans, a lotus-eater's paradise, offering an escape from gray skies, frozen radiators and the inflamed nose.

Just as remarkable as their natural beauties, but less advertised, is the West Indies' early history. In 1492 Christopher Columbus made his first landing on a small island in the Bahamas and then set out to explore another group of larger islands which he called "West Indies" because he believed he had found a shortcut to India. Dazzled by his new-found world, Columbus wrote in his diary, "The lands lie high, and through them run lofty mountain ranges with towering peaks ... covered with trees of a thousand different kinds and shapes.... They never seem to lose their leaves.... And amongst the trees the nightingale sang ... and there are mines of gold." Columbus also discovered that some of the red-skinned natives smoked a curious plant named cohoba, inhaling the smoke through a tube called *tabaco*. Thus, transferring the name of the tube to the plant, Columbus acquainted his countrymen with the peculiar custom of "tobacco" smoking.

While the West Indies were first discovered in the name of Queen Isabella and King Ferdinand of Spain, other European monarchs were quick to send explorers to stake out their claims among the golden islands. For the next 300 years the West Indies became a distant stage where the shifting powers of Europe met to slay each other and enslave the natives. Raleigh and Drake, Balboa and Cortes anchored in the palm-shaded harbors and used them as bases for further adventures into the New World. Knights and monks, soldiers and pirates came to hunt for gold or spread the glory of God.

For today's visitors, who need fly only 90 minutes from Miami to Cuba, the West Indies offer an astonishing variety of attractions, from the cosmopolitan gaiety of Havana to the flowering jungles of Jamaica, from the fantastic ruins of Haiti to the babble of tongues in Trinidad. Even the climate varies from mountain coolness to the warmth of sun-baked beaches. On this and the following pages LIFE shows five of the fabled islands that to Columbus were "wonderful to behold."



**THE WEST INDIES**, formed by the summits of a submerged mountain chain, sweep in a 1,500-mile curve from Bahamas to northern tip of South America.

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**MARKET AT PORT-AU-PRINCE** in Haiti is an ornate ironwork monstrosity. In the morning it swarms with women who travel 30 miles or more over mountain paths

with 60-pound loads of vegetables and chickens on their heads. One of the country's many presidents put up mottoes "*Paix*" and "*Travail*" ("Peace" and "Work").

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**HAVANA'S WATERFRONT**, facing Gulf of Mexico, is rimmed by a broad drive called the Malecon, which runs the length of the city. Whipped by trade winds, the surf often leaps above the sea wall and drenches passers-by.

## CUBA

**J**UST as Havana is the heart of the West Indies, the famous Malecon Drive pictured above is the heart of Havana. On one side it is flanked by the gulf surf and on the other side by apartments and tourist hotels. Cuba today is almost like prewar Paris in its gaiety. Visitors splurge on duty-free French perfumes and alligator bags and shoes. They eat baby octopus in a wonderful dish called *paella*, which also includes shellfish, chicken, pimientos

and steamed rice. They bet on *jai alai* games or daily cockfights held in small arenas and drop in at the headquarters of leading distillers, where they get free rum drinks and a great variety of cordials. They bask in the sun or swim along miles of golden beaches. At night they gamble at the swanky but rather dull Casino Nacional or find real excitement in the native cabarets and outdoor cafes where the rumba bands rattle on until dawn.



**CAMAGÜEY**, a sultry mid-Cuban town, is a stopover on the air route to Jamaica. Peg-legged war veteran sells tickets for government lottery, which Cubans dearly love.



**AT VERADERO BEACH**, Cuba's most fashionable resort, a fisherman casts his net over the sea for bait with which to catch red snappers, which are Cuba's favorite fish.



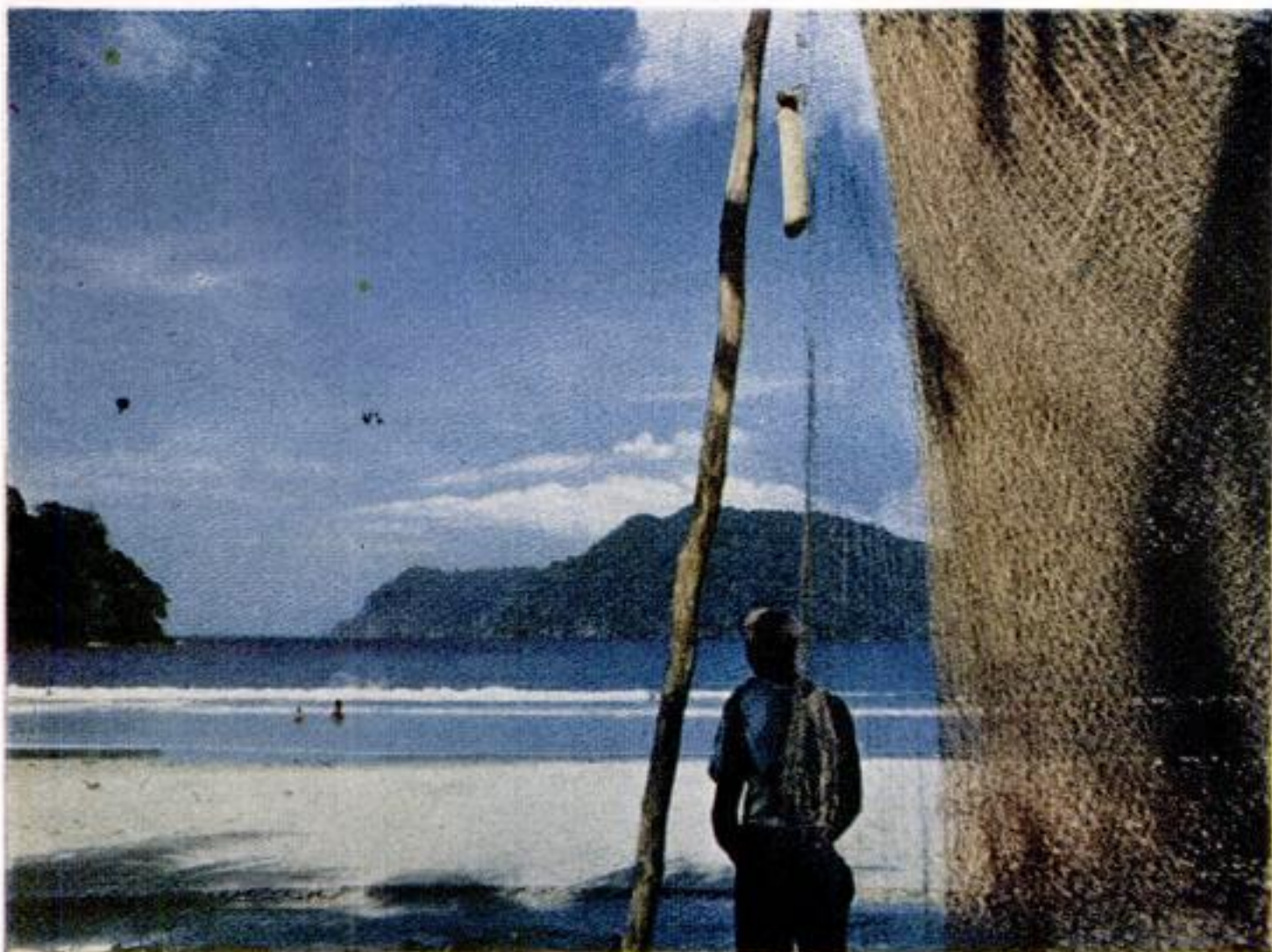


**HINDU TEMPLE** on the outskirts of Port of Spain is guarded by lion and tiger painted on gate. Priest is East Indian whose ancestors came to Trinidad as indentured servants. East Indians comprise one third of island's population.

**M**OST remote of the West Indies is Trinidad, a sultry island hugging the coast of Venezuela. It was named by Columbus after the Trinity because as he approached the island he first sighted three mountain peaks. Trinidad combines the well-mannered life of a British colony with a polyglot primitivism derived from a Spanish heritage and a large Negro, Chinese and East Indian population. A Hindu temple (*above*) rises above the mud huts

of a native village, and a Mohammedan mosque stands incongruously among prim English colonial buildings of Trinidad's capital, Port of Spain. Trinidad's famous Calypso music is a weird blend of Oriental and African strains. As many American servicemen discovered when they were based at Trinidad, the country's best sports are fishing for tarpon, kingfish and mackerel, and hunting in the equatorial jungles for armadillos and alligators.

## TRINIDAD



**AT MARACAS BAY** a fisherman dries nets. U.S. Seabees built a paved highway between this fishing settlement and Port of Spain, thus creating a popular beach.



**VICTORIAN HOUSE**, overladen with gimcracks, stained-glass windows and pink paint, was built in Port of Spain at century's turn. It is now owned by East Indian.

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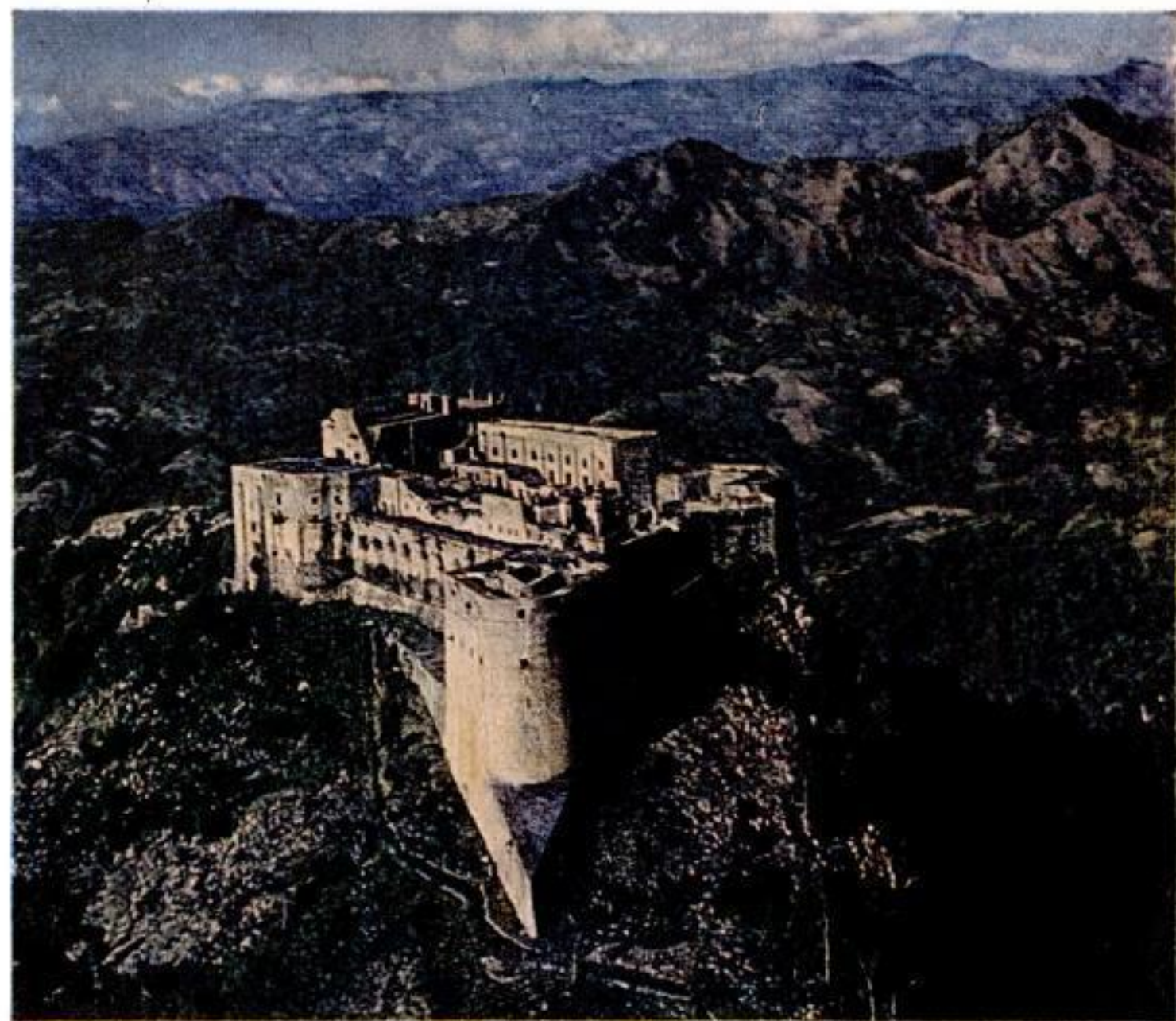




**RUINS OF SANS SOUCI**, the palace of King Henri I of Haiti, stands above Cap Haitien. Its crumbling grandeur testifies to the amazing court life which the Negro king cre-

ated in the jungle in 1811. The nose from the bust of his queen was shot off by an American marine who wanted it as a souvenir. Tourists have scribbled on pedestal.





**HENRI'S CITADEL** crowns a summit 2,600 feet above the valley. It was planned as a fortress where the king and his troops could take refuge from the French invaders.

## HAITI

**O**F all the West Indies, Haiti stirs most deeply the imagination of susceptible travelers. At night the nervous beating of drums and baying of hungry dogs give credence to the stories of strange rites and voodoo worship. In reality Haiti is a poor and primitive country occupying the western third of the island of Hispaniola, which, next to Cuba, is the largest island of the West Indies. Its bloody and fabulous history centers around the figure of a Negro ruler, Henri Christophe.

Born a slave, Henri became one of four generals to liberate Haiti from the French. In 1811 he set himself up as King Henri I. He built the handsome palace of Sans Souci (*left*) at Milot and the Citadel (*top*) in the mountains high above Cap Haitien. Rising 130 feet from its base, this fortress was planned to house a garrison of 10,000 men who could withstand a year's siege. Fiction has confused the facts, but the guides tell that there is an enormous buried treasure in the mountain, that 10,000 soldiers died dragging up 360 heavy bronze cannons to line the galleries of the fortress, and that Christophe, to test the loyalty of his troops, marched them over its ramparts. Henri's reign lasted only nine years. Faced by a revolt of his people, he shot himself with a golden bullet.



**AT PORT-AU-PRINCE** boats bring firewood and produce to market as there are few passable roads. The conch, whose shells litter the shore, is a staple of the Haitian diet.

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# JAMAICA

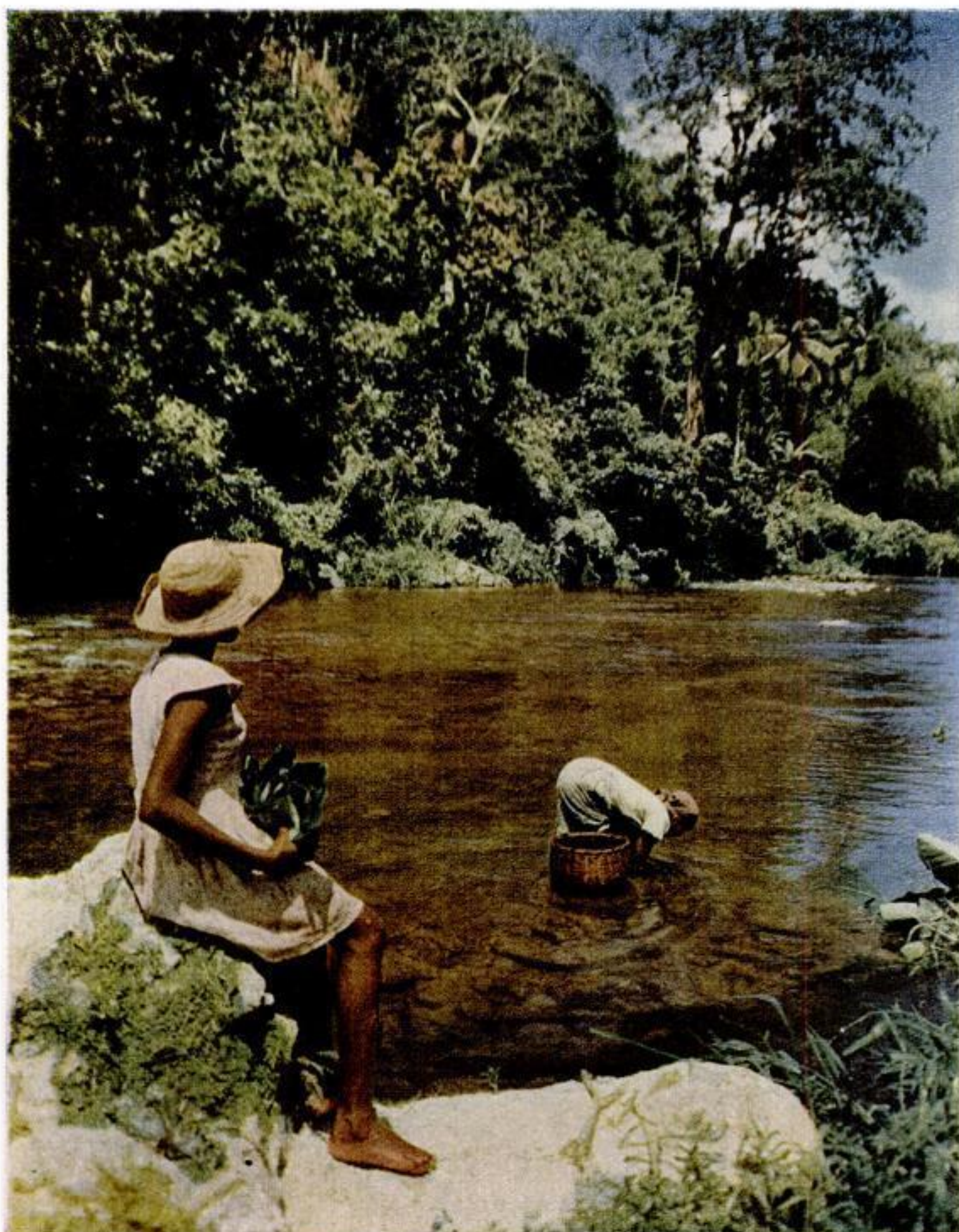
**T**HE island of Jamaica is like a huge hothouse overflowing with rare fruits and unbelievable flowers. When Christopher Columbus in 1494 reached Jamaica on his second voyage to the New World, he wrote in his famous journal, "It is the fairest island that eyes have beheld; mountainous, and the land seems to touch the sky."

Today the high Blue Mountains that form part of the island's spine are still adorned with one of the most lavish displays of flowering plants and trees in the entire West Indies—gigantic cotton trees, whose seed pods contain a cottonlike fiber for stuffing, coconut palms, banana and breadfruit trees, sarsaparilla and ginger plants. Fruits that Americans hear of but seldom eat grow in the valleys and glens. Papayas are eaten with a spoon like cantaloupe. Guavas and mangoes are used mostly for preserves. For real fruit connoisseurs there are surprises such as the purple-skinned star apple, which is deliciously bitter-sweet and slippery like a persimmon, and a knobby-skinned fruit called an ugly that tastes like a grapefruit.

While Jamaica's coastal towns are hot, the hills are always refreshingly cool and verdant. Countless cascades and rivulets spill down the mountains into the sea. Longtailed humming birds with green and red plumage dart among the orchids that cling to the branches of high trees. Scarlet hibiscus blossoms make a carnival of color with magenta bougainvilleas. And even more flamboyant than the birds and flowers are the tropical fish that swim through the long, white-fingered coral in the clear, shallow water.



**AT BAMBOO WALK**, midway across Jamaica, the tall reeds reach for the sky in graceful arches which filter the sunlight through delicate leaves. Tourists often cross the island from Kingston just to pass through this lovely grove.

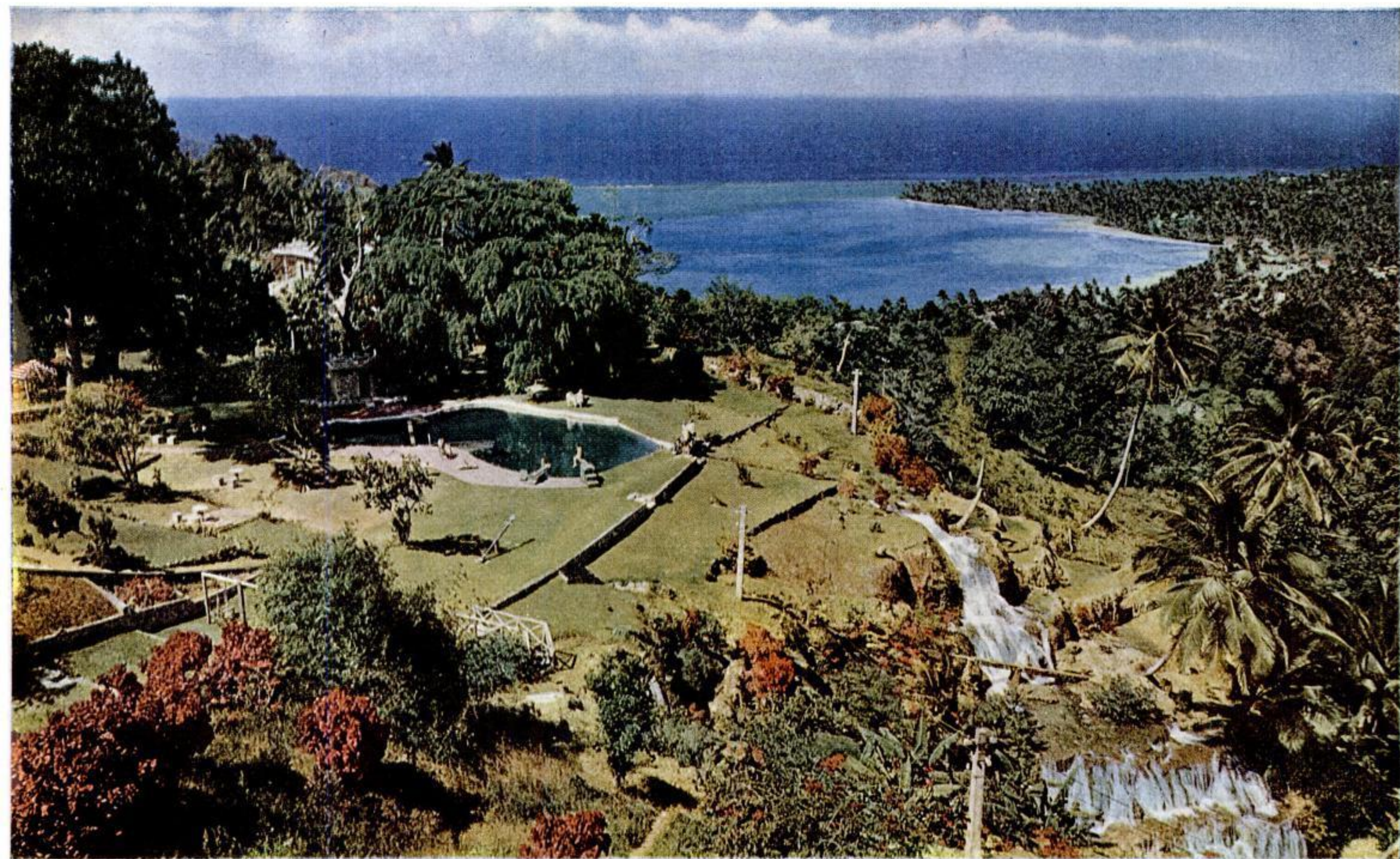


**RIO COBRE**, high in the Jamaican mountains, is filled with fresh-water shrimp, which a native mother finds under the rocks. Her daughter holds catch in an elephant-ear leaf.



**ROARING RIVER FALLS**, finest on the island, cascade into the Caribbean near Ocho Rios. Jamaica owes its many waterfalls to the great number of mountain springs.





**SHAW PARK**, once a colonial estate, has been converted into a quiet and restful resort hotel. Perched on the mountainside, it is set in the middle of waterfalls and

terraced gardens which contain a large variety of flowering plants and shrubs of the island. At the right is a large coconut plantation which borders the blue Caribbean.



**MONTEGO BAY** is best-known seaside resort in Jamaica. Here on the sand, which is composed of finely crushed coral, the tourist can sun himself after a swim in the Car-

ibbean. Negro diver, whose boat seems suspended above the clear water, is well-known character named Sam Cunningham who sells sea shells to tourists along the seashore.

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**TROPICAL FISH** caught by local fishermen in the waters of Montego Bay in Jamaica have fantastic names. Among those pictured here are four-eyed butterfly, porcu-

pine, yellow grunt, redmouth grunt, spanish hog, common squirrel, big-eye, yellow goat, rock hind, painted-tail parrot, purple-tailed wrasse and eellike spotted moray.





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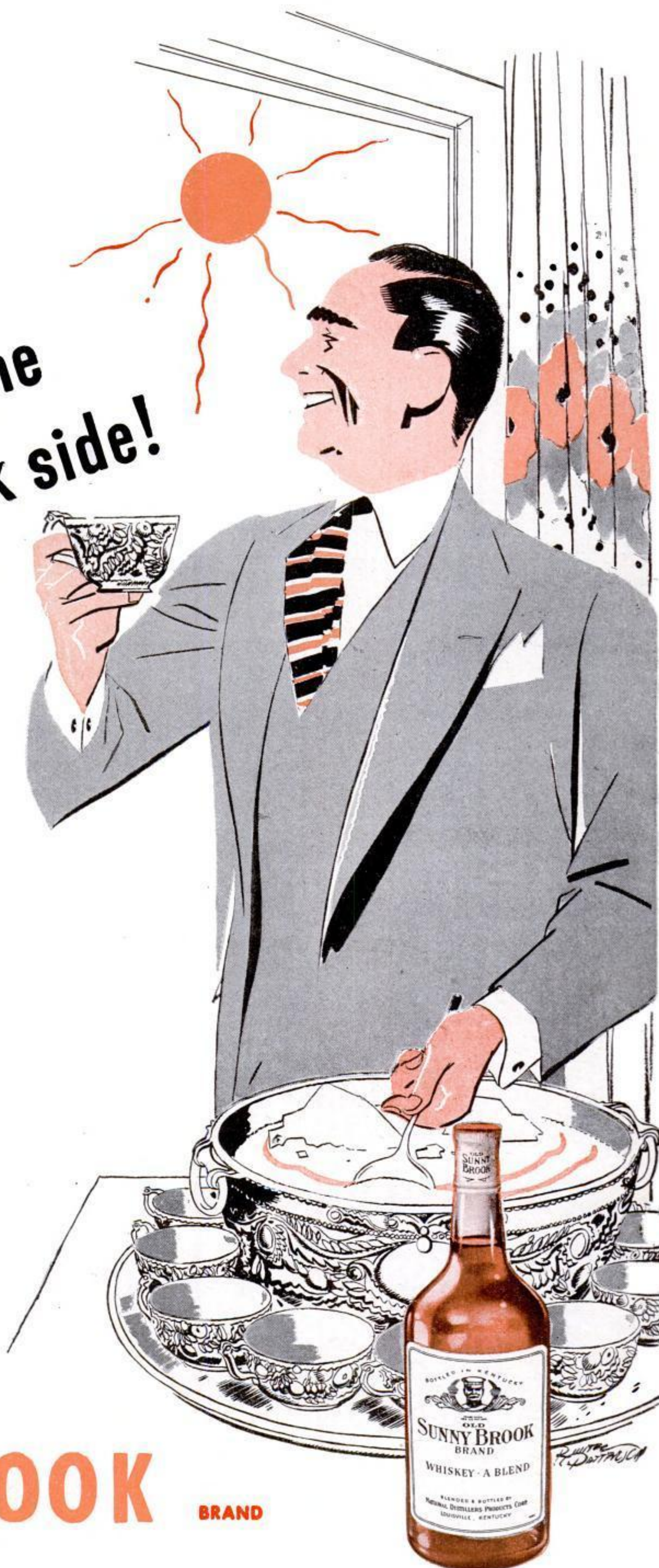




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# ASTROLOGY

## IT HAS THREE MILLION FOLLOWERS WHO LIVE BY THE STARS

**A**STROLOGY, one of the oldest and now one of the most discredited of all "sciences," is still a big business in the U.S. Like everything from burglary to the reading of Shakespeare, it shared in the war boom. It now boasts about three million devotees, ranging from movie stars like Maria Montez (*above*) all the way to a professor at Vassar. About 700 astrologers, recognized by their fellows as true scientists, do most of the business. Some 25,000 others of dubious standing in the trade also practice it on a full or part-time basis. The five leading astrology magazines have a combined circulation of nearly a million and at least 185 newspapers print daily horoscopes which are seen by 22,500,000 readers.

In essence, the theory of astrology is that the character of every human being is determined by the position of the stars, planets, moon and sun at the moment of his birth. Thereafter he is affected for better or worse, according to the original astro-

logical sign of his birth, by the changing position of the heavenly bodies all through his life. Thus noon of next Jan. 1 might be an ideal time for a man born under the sign of Virgo to marry, sign a new contract, buy a house or bet on a horse race. The same hour, to a man born under Scorpio, might be sheer murder.

All these cosmic influences are calculated according to planetary tables which are gibberish to the uninitiated. To anyone who has not seen the light, the conversation of astrologers and their true devotees has a strange and baffling quality coupled with an almost childlike faith. For example Maria Montez, who attributes most of her success in the movies to staying in tune with the planets, greeted LIFE's reporter by asking in her Spanish accent, "What ees your birthday?" Told that the date was June 18 she said, "Ah, that ees good. I am born June the seexth. We are both Gemini. We weel get along good together. But you must watch out for

Pisces women. Many, many Pisces men have fallen een love weeth me, but all the time we have trouble. My hoosban ees Capricorn; ee's good for me." Miss Montez, it turned out, gets a daily horoscope from her astrologer, never agrees to appear in a new picture unless the signs are right and sometimes refuses to go to work at all on days when the planets have a bad aspect. The latter precaution is due to the near-tragedy of her lone fall from grace, when she drove her convertible on a day when the stars said she should stay at home. She hit a lamppost and would certainly have been killed except for the mitigating circumstance that the planet Jupiter, a lone holdout among the others that day, was in a mood to protect her from really serious damage.

On the following pages LIFE shows some of the more famous U.S. astrologers and an explanation of how they practice their mysterious art, which all reputable scientists regard as utter nonsense.



# ITS TOP PRACTITIONERS DO A LAND-OFFICE BUSINESS



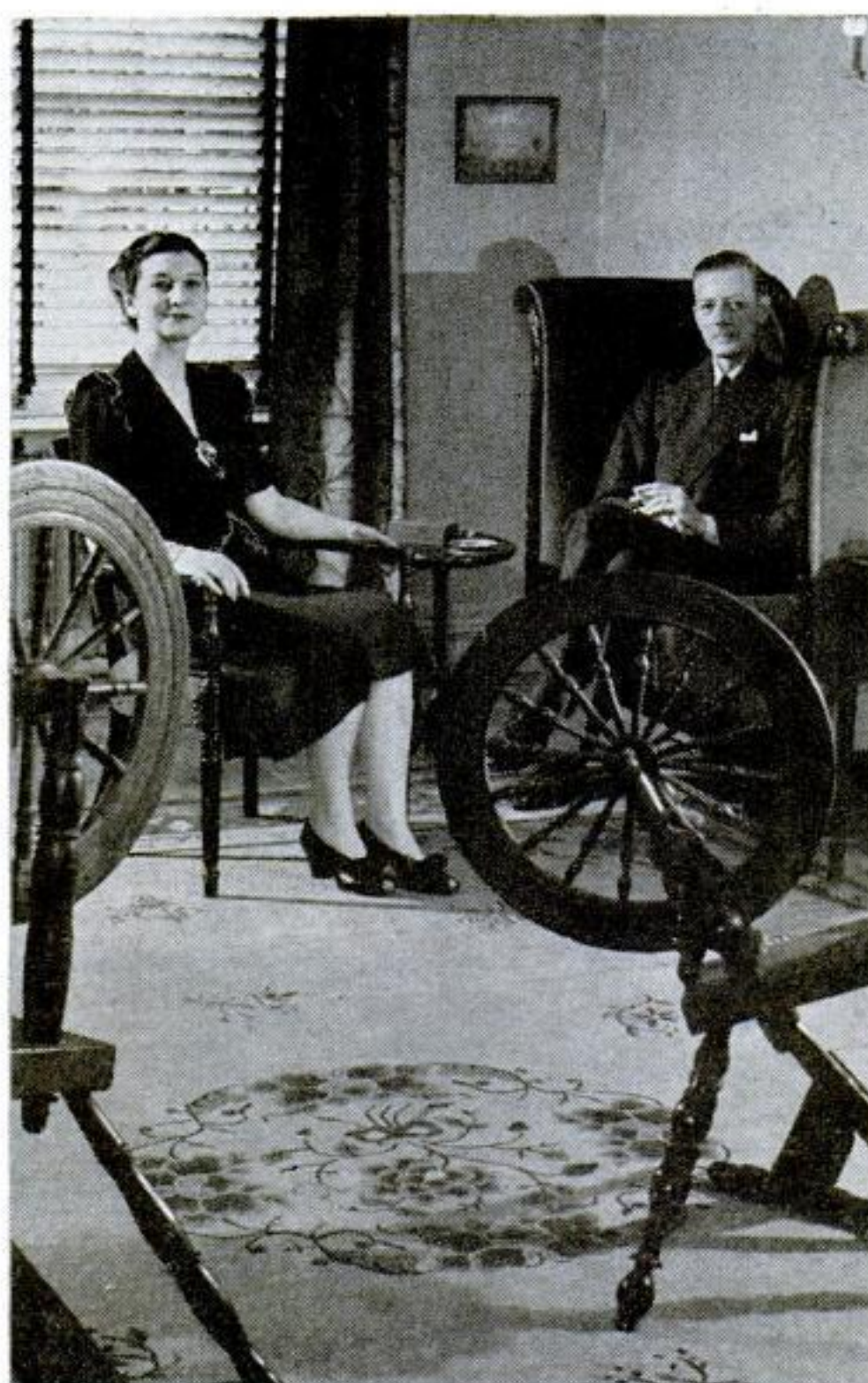
**MOST PUBLICIZED** of all U.S. astrologers is Myra Kingsley, whose New York office is lined with photographs of stage people and cafe socialites she has advised. Shown here in bottom row are (from left) Dancer Cecilia Callejo; the late George Houston, who was once Miss Kingsley's husband; Lawrence Tibbett; Basil Rathbone, and Gladys Swarthout. Miss Kingsley, 49, married twice, reads in the stars that she will marry again.



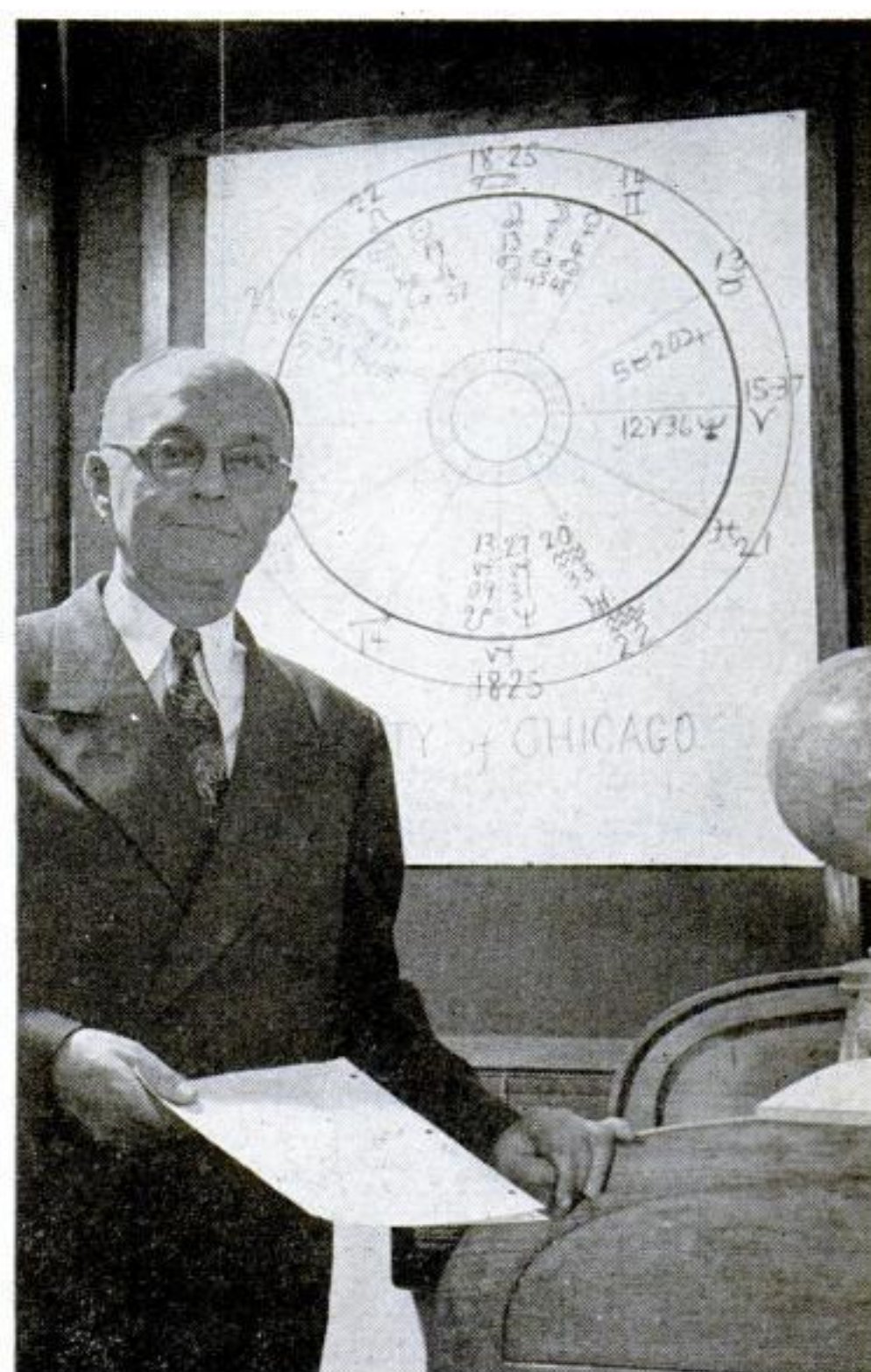
**HOLLYWOOD'S FAVORITE** astrologer is Blanca Holmes, who operates from a home as lush as a movie setting, says she has been consulted by Hedy Lamarr, Clifford Odets, Joseph Cotten and Judy Garland. One of her faithful clients is Arthur Treacher, currently delighted because she has predicted that the movies will give him a non-butler role this year. She is 54 and married to Stuart Holmes, a star of silent movies.



**EX-FOLLIES DANCER** Nella Webb has read horoscopes during tea hour at New York's Waldorf-Astoria hotel. She studied under astrology's late great Evangeline Adams, turned professional after her dancing days. Marie Dressler never made a move without consulting her.



**MOST DIGNIFIED** of astrologers are Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Wells, who have an Early American apartment in Greenwich Village, deal chiefly with professional men, are considered a little high-hat by competitors. They married soon after Evangeline Adams predicted they would.



**PRESIDENT** of American Federation of Astrologers is Keye Lloyd of Chicago. His organization has about 500 members, a code of ethics and nothing but contempt for astrological "charlatans." An avid practitioner, he carefully notes the time whenever his telephone rings.





**DOG SPECIALIST** is Lester Belt, a Glendale, Calif. barber to whom astrology and dogs have been a dual lifetime hobby. Convinced that the heavenly bodies influence animals as well as human beings, he has prepared individual horoscopes for such famous dogs as Lassie and Fala and has written a generalized pamphlet of advice called *Your Dog's Astrological Horoscope*, which is sold in many Los Angeles pet shops at 50¢

a copy. Each breed of dog, he says, has its own special kind of temperament and disposition. Thus each breed is affected differently by the astrological sign at the time of its birth. He has painstakingly worked out the influence of the planets and the stars for each type of dog and urges their owners to make sure that their pets are born under a sign "which is the most sympathetic to and the best balance for that particular breed."





THE KEYSTONE OF ASTROLOGY and the working tool of all astrologers is the horoscope (above), which was originated 4,000 years ago by the Babylonians. The horoscope maps the sky into 12 "houses," each of which bears the Latin name for the object which ancient sky gazers saw in the outlines formed by the stars. Libra in the chart

above, for example, means the scales, Cancer the crab, Pisces the fishes. Astrologists claim these signs relate to certain parts of the body (figure, lower right) but do not always agree on how. They also claim that the eight other planets and the moon and sun (which they frequently miscall planets) move steadily around the earth through all 12





divisions of the sky (center of drawing) and determine the character of people born under them. Artist Artzybasheff's drawing represents the "natural" horoscope, showing the position of these planets on March 21, date of the vernal equinox. How a horoscope for an individual is plotted from this by an astrologer appears on the following page.

But the horoscope has some astronomical flaws. It is based on an assumption that all the "planets" revolve about the earth, although man has known for some centuries that they actually revolve about the sun. As can be seen, the horoscope also portrays some of the planets in two different places at the same time, which is a physical impossibility.



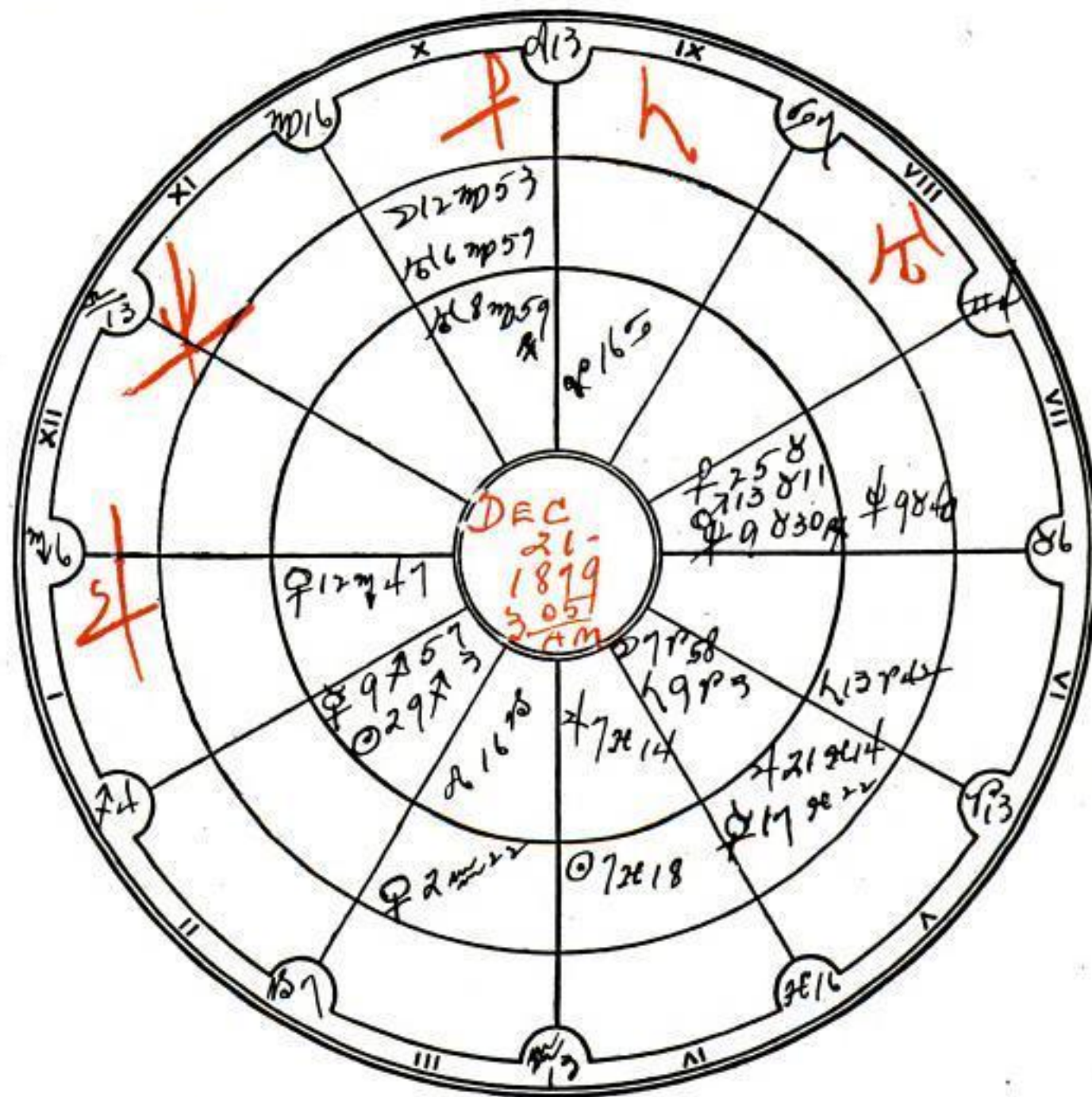
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## ASTROLOGY CONTINUED



STALIN'S HOROSCOPE SHOWS ILLNESS BUT GAINS FOR 1947

## THE STARS FORECAST A GOOD YEAR FOR STALIN



ASTROLOGER HELENE PAUL

The complicated chart at the top of this page shows how the relatively simple natural horoscope (pp. 48-49) is further refined by astrologers to take account of the individual's exact moment of birth and the current influence of the heavenly bodies. This is the 1947 horoscope of Russia's Joseph Stalin as plotted by Helene Paul (left), a New York astrologer who plies her trade from an expensive penthouse just off Fifth Avenue.

As nearly as anyone knows, Stalin was born at 3:05 a.m. on Dec. 21, 1879. Since time zones vary over the world, Miss Paul first translated this hour into a sort of cosmic time disclosed by an astrologer's table known as the *Ephemeris*. She then looked up her revised figure in a handbook called the *Table of Houses*, which shows what signs of the zodiac govern every minute of the day. According to the *Table of Houses*, the sign of Scorpio held sway at the moment of Stalin's birth. So she put this sign, which looks like an M with an arrow at the bottom, at the extreme left of the chart's horizontal line. She then arranged the other signs of the zodiac around the chart, at the end of each spoke, in the order dictated by the natural horoscope. In the next-to-smallest of the chart's four circles she inserted the position of the planets at the moment of Stalin's birth. In the circle outside that she charted the planets' "progression" since that date, an important but difficult refinement which can be understood only after years of study. In the outer circle, in red, she charted the present position of the planets; the red figure at extreme left, looking like a 4, represents Jupiter. From all these heavenly arrangements, past and present, come Stalin's character and his prospects for 1947.

Looking at this chart, any good astrologer can tell at a glance that Stalin is quick, shrewd, keen, suspicious, sarcastic, fearless, ambitious and extremely lucky. Next year bodes ill for his kidneys, gall bladder and throat. But his strong constitution will throw off his ills and he will enjoy new power and territorial gains. Under his leadership Russia is in line for vast scientific and material progress. Scoffers may point out, of course, that there was undoubtedly another Russian born at the same moment who died of a summer cold in 1929 after an unsuccessful career as street cleaner. But such untoward events, to astrologers and their followers, are merely the exception that proves the rule.





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AFTER BREATHING INTO A DEEP-FREEZE UNIT, SNOW-MAKER VINCENT SCHAEFER DANGLES DRY-ICE PELLETS INTO SUPERCOOLED BREATH, TURNING IT INTO SNOW

## MAN-MADE SNOWSTORM

Scientist can make it fall in laboratory or in the sky

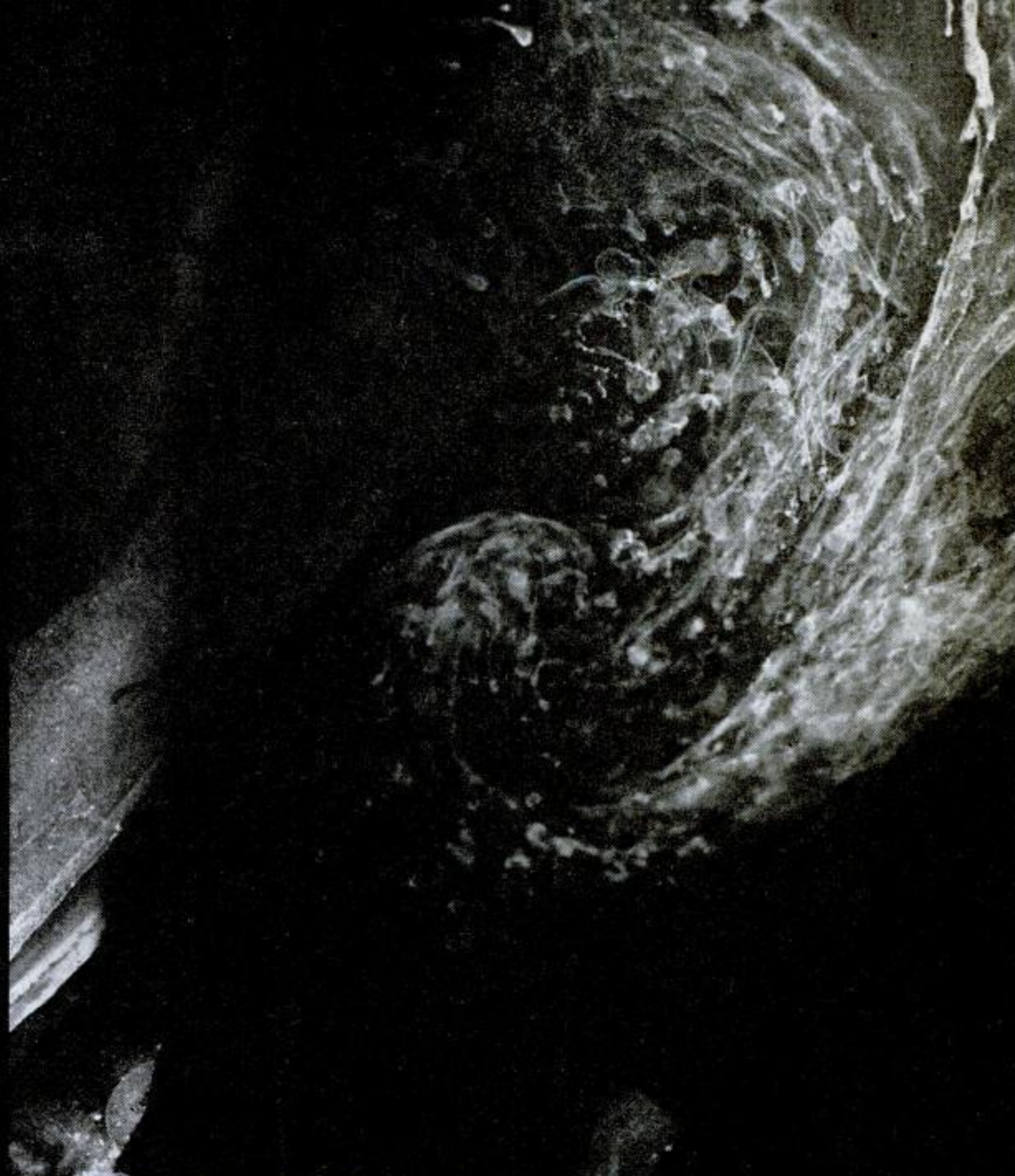
The first man actually to do something about the weather is a General Electric Co. scientist named Vincent J. Schaefer. Unlike those who can only predict what a cloud will do, Mr. Schaefer can go up in the air and make the cloud snow. He did so last month.

Mr. Schaefer first developed his unusual powers in the laboratory by turning his own breath into snow. His equipment was simple: a small deep-freeze unit and a grain of dry ice (solid carbon dioxide). After breathing into the deep-freeze





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A SECOND LATER THE WHOLE CLOUD IS TRANSFORMED INTO EMBRYONIC SNOWFLAKES



AT END, FULL-BLOWN SNOW CRYSTALS CASCADE IN A MINIATURE STORM

unit to form a small cloud, he swung dry ice over it. Crystals of snow formed instantly (*above*). This feat uncovered a scientific fact no one had known before. Scientists were aware that the water droplets which compose a cloud will remain liquid at temperatures far below zero and that most winter and many summer clouds are cold enough to snow. But the agent needed to set them off naturally was and still is unknown. Schaefer found that dry ice will do it artificially. Then, to prove his theory in the sky, Schaefer flew over a cloud in

Massachusetts, dropped his dry ice pellets into it and made it snow (*see p. 54*).

As a result of these experiments Schaefer can make snow fall out in barren countryside before it clogs cities or railroads. He can conveniently provide snow for ski resorts or build up a water supply where it might be needed. Since this procedure may be highly useful in war, the armed forces have joined General Electric Co. in supporting Schaefer's research. If they find military advantages in weather-making, however, they may declare it all a secret.





LONE ALTO-STRATUS CLOUD FLOATS HIGH OVER BERKSHIRE LAKES BEFORE VINCENT SCHAEFER TRIES TO MAKE IT SNOW WITH HIS NEAR MAGICAL EXPERIMENT

## SCIENTIST MAKES SNOW FALL OVER NEW ENGLAND

The day was warm on the ground and freezing aloft when Schaefer took his snow-making experiment outdoors Nov. 13. Sighting a fat, moisture-filled cloud (*above*), he sprinkled it with four pounds of dry ice (cost: 20¢). The three-mile-long cloud

promptly went to pieces, sloughed itself gently down to earth in the form of snow (*below*). The snowflakes all evaporated in dry air before they touched the ground. But Schaefer suddenly had a qualm. If his snow had landed, could he be sued?

PELLETED WITH DRY ICE, CLOUD SENDS DOWN VEILS OF SNOW 600 FEET LONG. THE SNOW WAS SEEN 50 MILES AWAY EVEN THOUGH IT NEVER REACHED GROUND





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**HARRIMAN AND SONS** posed for this typical turn-of-the-century family portrait in San Francisco, when the

father was one of world's richest industrialists and the boys, Roland (*left*) and Averell, were being educated in

both the responsibilities and the obligations of wealth. Today Roland is a banker, Averell a Cabinet member.



# W. AVERELL HARRIMAN

The New Deal transformed him from a polo-playing, pleasure-loving great man's son into a wealthy liberal. Twenty-eight months as U.S. Ambassador to Russia changed him into a champion of the free society

by CHARLES J. V. MURPHY

IN the long ago, when the New Deal was vigorously young and some of the most powerful men in the U.S. were named Frankfurter, Moley, Tugwell, Corcoran, Cohen and Ickes, there appeared in Washington a tall and somber middle-aged man named W. Averell Harriman. His accent was that of Groton, he wore expensive clothes and otherwise seemed to be exactly what he was—a big banker and railroad man. He introduced himself as a "reformed Republican" and volunteered to assist in the spectacular remaking of the nation which was then under way. He was coolly, even condescendingly, received. In fact his presence rather put a damper on the party. The red-hot New Dealers had declared war on Wall Street, bankers, "economic royalists," and it was disconcerting to have the fox join the hounds. In the end they tolerated him, and some even grew rather fond of him, referring to him among themselves as one of their "tame millionaires." It made an amusing paradox.

History has a sense of humor and the paradox was enhanced when, three months ago, W. Averell Harriman, the "last of the New Dealers," was appointed Secretary of Commerce, succeeding Henry Wallace of the Common Man.

To fill the hole in Commerce left by Henry Wallace's hasty departure, President Truman's first need was an "enlightened businessman." Harriman's New Deal credentials met this specification. Beyond all this, however, it was self-evident that the new political internationalism of the U.S. must be reinforced with a corresponding economic internationalism. A very large expansion in foreign trade and investment is indispensable to American prosperity. In the furtherance of this interest Commerce needed a man whose qualifications approached those of a Secretary of State. As a businessman, diplomat and international banker, Harriman seemed made to order.

In addition to having been Ambassador to Russia from 1943 to 1946, Harriman also spent nearly three years in England, the other great leverage point of U.S. foreign policy, first as Lend-Lease representative and later as Ambassador. It is a point of some pride with him that he has seen as much of the inner workings of the international politics of war and peace as any man of his times. He was present at all the great international conferences but one (Quebec, 1944), a distinction shared by no other American.

Harriman's predecessors in Commerce eagerly sought out the job in the hope it would lead them, as it had Herbert Hoover, to the White House. With Harriman's rich experience in foreign affairs, the good relations he personally enjoys with both capital and labor and a strikingly handsome appearance, it might seem that his prospects in this direction would be even more favorable. However, just as a camel may never pass through the needle's eye, so in American

politics a man as fabulously rich as Averell Harriman has almost no chance of fulfilling the great American myth that any boy may be President. Yet even if further progress in politics should be closed to him, he has already made a good deal more of his life than seemed likely a dozen years ago. Amid the numerous melancholy examples of ambitious sons sweating to equal the reputation of great fathers the career of Averell Harriman offers heartening evidence that a man can still rise from greatness.

Harriman is withdrawn and meditative; he has fumbling hands, a lurching walk, a cop's feet and what a dowager of the diplomatic corps described as "sheep-dog eyes." At 55 his thick brownish hair is touched with gray. Lean, stooped and engagingly awkward, he has been described as the Gary Cooper type. The combination of a low, cultured voice, a gloomy expression and a habit of deliberate speech produces the effect of a weighty thoughtfulness which possibly disguises a slow and cautious mind.

## "Wealth is a responsibility"

IN any case Averell Harriman has had to make his way in the face of odds which, in their relative magnitude and variety, were quite as forbidding as those confronting the widely admired heroes of the Horatio Alger epics. It was not just that he had to overcome a general impression that he was none too bright. It was the knowledge that he was at all times being silently measured against a heroically successful father of piercing intelligence.

The genes of Edward H. Harriman were molybdenum and sheer cold fire. "All the opportunity I ask," he said as a young man, "is to be one amongst 15 men in a boardroom." He stopped



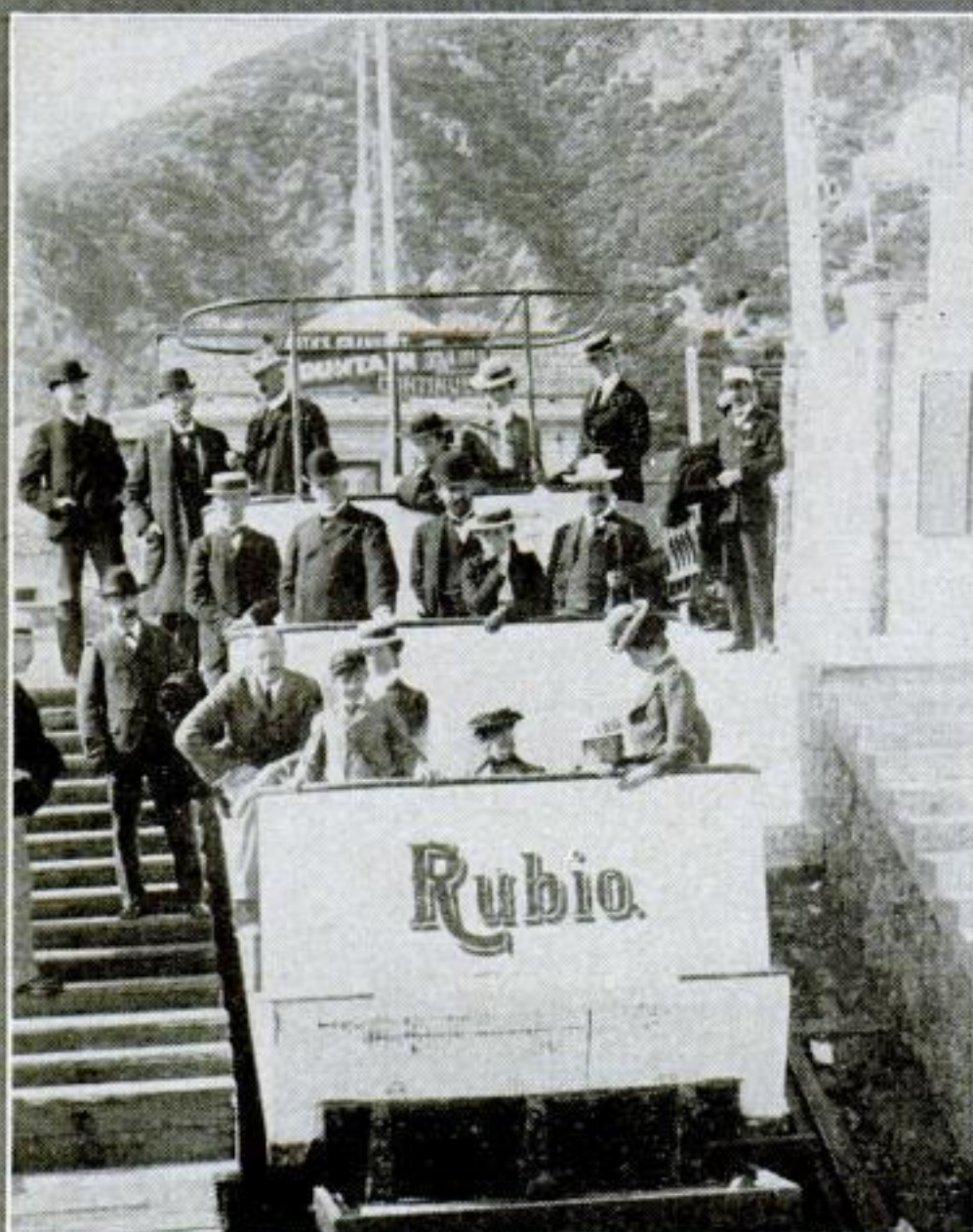
AVERELL HARRIMAN at 55 has vigor and tenacity of a man half his age, skis, rides, works long and hard.

his schooling at 14 and, in the second year of the Civil War, took a \$5-a-week job as office boy in a Wall Street brokerage house. It was afterward his boast, "My capital when I began was a pencil and this," tapping his head. Half a century later he managed or controlled 23,000 miles of railroad capitalized at \$1,500,000,000. In a famous phrase he rebuilt the Union Pacific system from "a rusted streak of iron." His struggle with James J. Hill in the 1900s for control of the Northern Pacific was the U.S. corporation battle of the age. The Union Pacific has not missed a dividend in nearly half a century, and in the view of the founder's son Averell this was the natural outcome of a policy of "conscientious financing and continued improvement of the property." E. H.'s contemporaries, however, at times took a much less favorable view of his methods. "Enemy of the Republic," "malefactor of great wealth," "an undesirable citizen," "the most wicked, cynical man in the world"—these were only some of the phrases which the trust-busting T. R. Roosevelt tossed off in a malevolent appraisal.

Harriman sired six children. The first son died, leaving Averell, a younger brother E. Roland, and their sisters, the late Mrs. Charles Cary Rumsey, the present Mrs. Robert Livingston Gerry of New York and Mrs. W. Plunkett Stewart of Unionville, Pa. Averell (pronounced A-vril) was named after his mother whose family, the Averells, were well-to-do banking and railroad people of upstate New York. E. H., son of an Episcopal minister, had begun his life in a drab Long Island parsonage. For his children he provided the American approximation of a barony—a tremendous 150-room chateau of native granite in the French Renaissance style, situated on a mountaintop overlooking the Ramapo Valley on the west side of the Hudson, between Tuxedo Park and West Point. From this lofty eyrie, reached either by a winding road, three-and-a-half miles long, or by a funicular railway powerful enough to lift a motor car, the Harrimans could look out over the 20,000 acres of Arden, as the place was called—part of it gentle pasture land, the rest well-stocked preserves and forest threaded by 40 miles of bridle paths. The little villages of Arden and Harriman were occupied almost entirely by family retainers, farmers, tradesmen and their families. Below the main house were imposing stables, a polo field, a track for exercising trotting horses and a dairy establishment which has supplied West Point with milk since before the Spanish-American War.

Winters the family retired to a big town house in Manhattan where Averell attended Craigie School and Miss Dodson's dancing class and was a cadet in the fashionable Knickerbocker Greys. Like most self-made men E. H. had strong ideas on education. These reflected, on the one hand, the prevailing vogue of the strenuous life and on the other his railroading dictum that "the only





**SEEING AMERICA**, Averell views California from a cable car. Father stands second from left on steps.



**HARRIMAN BOYS**, Roland (right) and Averell, rode pony carts on 20,000-acre estate on the Hudson.



**CAMPING TRIPS** were often organized by the father (second right). Averell is at the right, Roland left.



**AN EARLY NEW DEALER**, he posed with Grover Whalen (center), Jim Farley (right) for NRA publicity.



**AT ILLINOIS CENTRAL BOARD MEETING**, held aboard a company train, Harriman sits fifth from

the right. As a railroad man, he introduced the streamliners, all-coach trains with cheap dining-car service.

## HARRIMAN CONTINUED

way to make a good property valuable is to put it in the best possible condition to do business." The Harriman pedagogical theories emphasized a healthy body, steady nerves, an ability to mix with others and the Christian view. The boys were taught to box, shoot, swim and ride; they played polo with the West Point cadets on their own field and raced their trotters Saturday afternoons at the nearby Goshen track. But also, during the long Arden summer, they sat stiffly with their parents at Sunday service in the old community church.

Averell cannot remember ever being told that he was expected to take over the Union Pacific. In that respect E. H. was content to let time work its way, except as he impressed upon his sons two guiding rules: *Whatever you have anything to do with, your first thought should be to im-*

*prove it, and: Great wealth is an obligation And responsibility. Money must work for the country.* All the same E. H. managed to steep his sons in the Union Pacific atmosphere. He arranged his inspection trips to coincide with their school vacations; as he traveled over the system in his private car, they listened and watched in the background.

"Father could not imagine doing anything just for fun," Averell remembers.

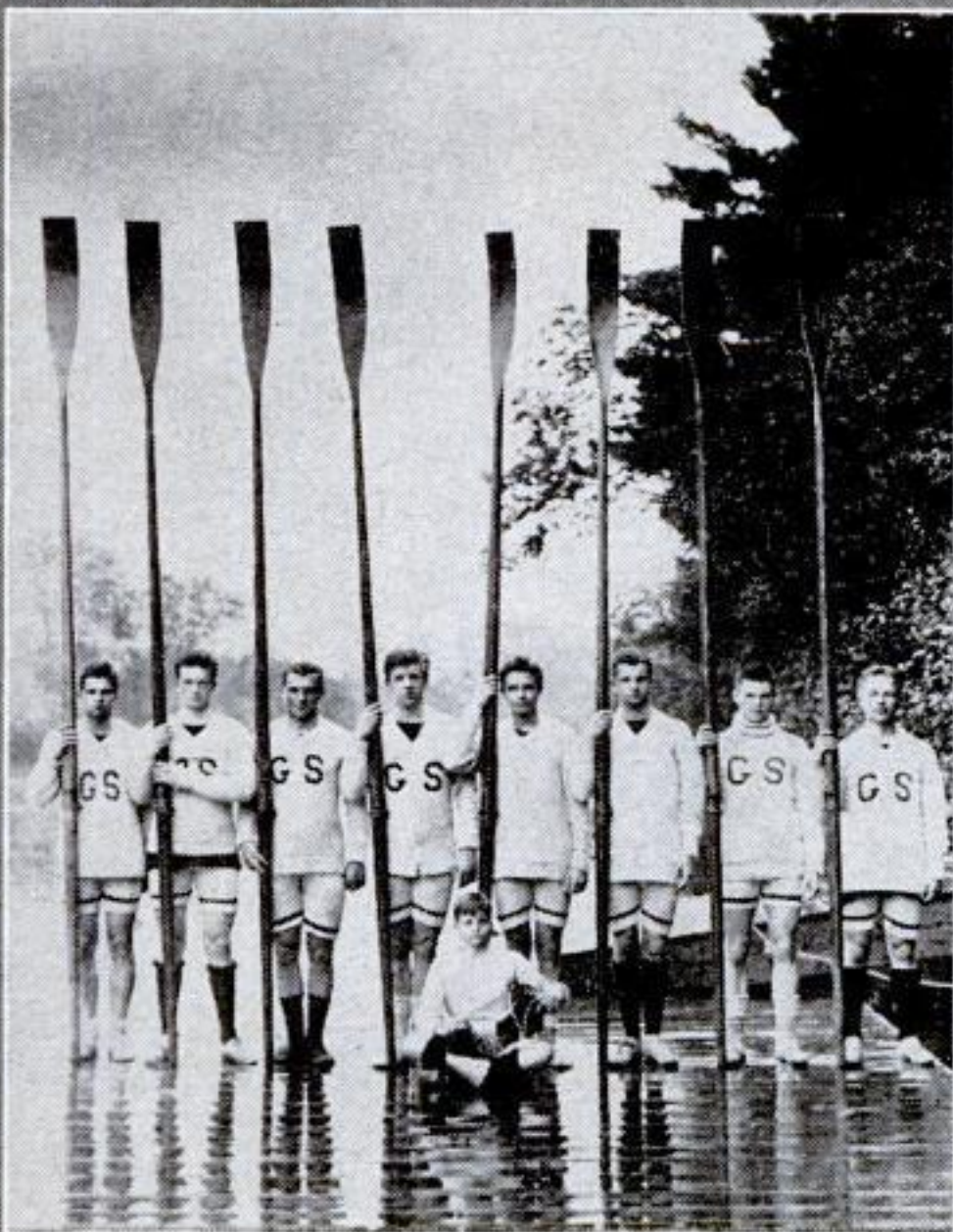
One of his happiest boyhood recollections is of a trip to Alaska in the summer of 1899. Started as a simple family outing, it ended up as a full-scale expedition—a chartered steamer, three artists, two photographers and 25 scientists, the last headed by John Muir, a famous glacier student.

As part of what he describes as the "standard education" of the privileged few, Averell went to Groton and Yale. At Groton rowing was the big sport and the summer before Averell went there his father hired the famous Syracuse rowing

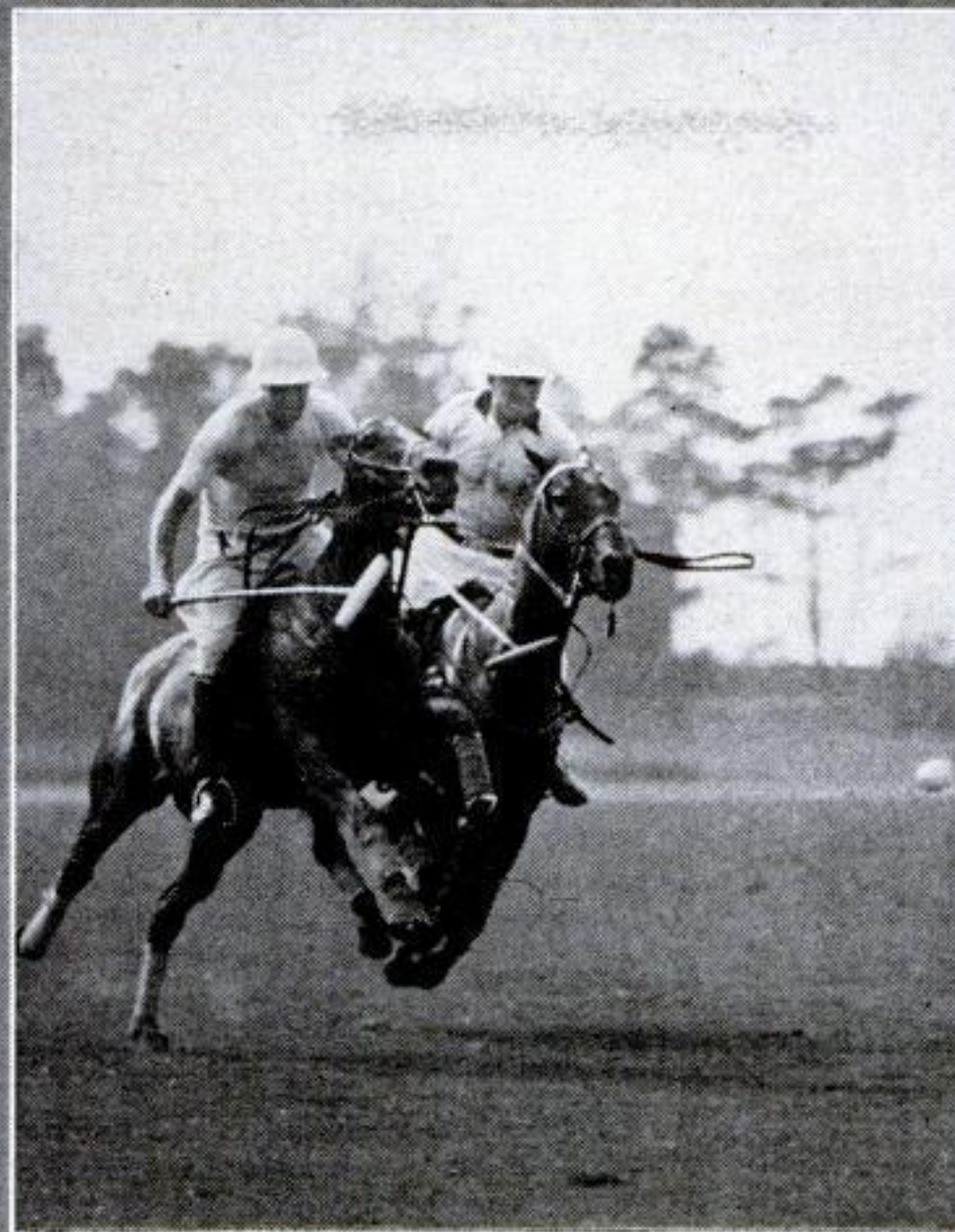
coach, James Ten Eyck, to give his 12-year-old son six weeks of personal instruction. This expert training led indirectly to an unusual athletic career at Yale, which he entered in 1909. Obligated by a strained heart in his sophomore year to give up rowing, he showed he possessed something more than the oarsman's usual assets of a strong back and a weak mind by becoming Yale's rowing coach while still an undergraduate. Yale's rowing, which was run by Old Blues, was in a slump and Averell was sent to England in his junior year to scout the Cambridge and Oxford crews, which employed a tricky stroke emphasizing a long reach and a long layback. He was made coach of the freshman crew on his return and, in his senior year, of the varsity.

At Groton Averell is remembered as a modest, fairly intelligent boy. Both there and at Yale he was, like most young men of the same background, satisfied with a "gentleman's C." Only





**GROTON CREW '09** included Harriman (fifth from left). At home he was privately coached in oarsmanship.



**AN EIGHT-GOALER**, Harriman (left) played No. 1 position in the 1928 U.S.-Argentina match. U.S. won.



**A BREEDER OF LABRADORS**, he (second right) entered prize-winning Blind of Arden in 1934 trials.



**SUN VALLEY, IDAHO** was promoted by Harriman as a popular skiing center to create business for the

Union Pacific. A good skier himself, he takes (left to right) daughter Mary, wife and daughter Kathleen on outing.



**ATLANTIC CHARTER** was first of the great state events Harriman (second from left, back row) attended.

the "broad environment" of Yale, he thinks, saved him from becoming a snob. "I shudder to think what I might have become," he says, "had I followed most of the other 'Grotties' to Harvard."

In Averell's subsequent public career amateur psychologists think they discern the compensatory urge of a rich man's son to escape the robber baron past. The trouble with this theory is it overlooks the fact that he is also his father's son—ambitious, self-centered and acquisitive.

E. H. died in 1909, the year Averell entered Yale. In his senior year, the only undergraduate ever so honored, he was elected to the Union Pacific board of directors and gave his new stern-visaged colleagues something of a turn by appearing at the first meeting armed with a textbook on psychology. On graduating from Yale in 1913 he reported to the road as a trackwalker and acquired, briefly, the nickname "Bill." Some

months later he shot past all the other trackwalkers to become a vice president.

E. H. left his entire fortune, estimated at \$70,000,000, to his widow, a serene and civic-minded woman, in a celebrated two-sentence will—"to be hers absolutely and forever." The board chairmanship of the combined Union Pacific and Southern Pacific systems passed to Judge Robert S. Lovett, a lawyer who had long been privy to E. H.'s affairs.

In an atmosphere dominated by his father's reputation the young vice president was restless. On the eve of the U.S. declaration of war on Germany in 1917, he bought into a small shipyard at Chester, Pa. and shortly quit the road to run it. From then until 1932 he was on his own—and the Harriman millions, doled out by his mother—looking for another "rusty streak of iron" to improve.

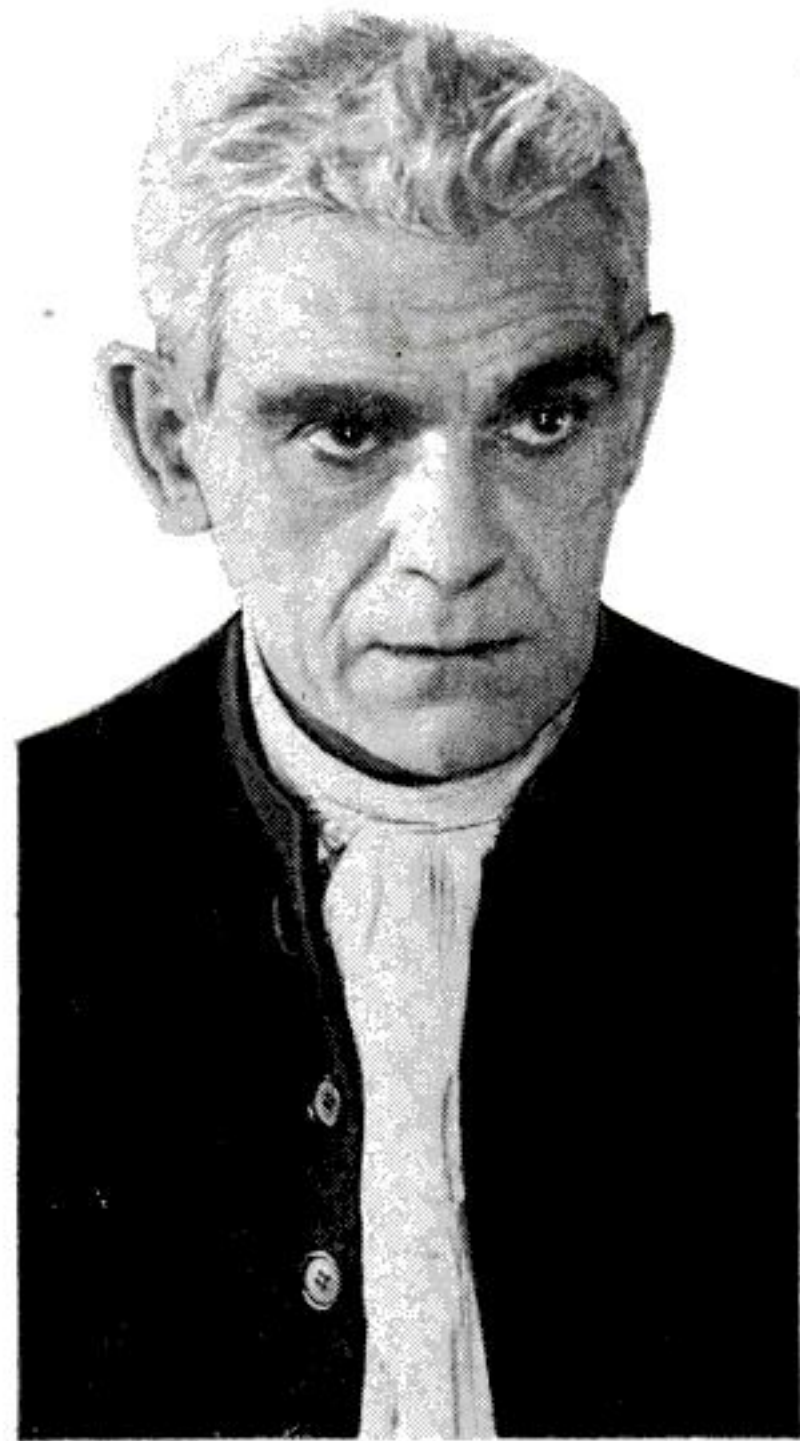
E. H.'s major piece of unfinished business, at

the time of his death, was a grandiose scheme for a world transportation system, in which the Union Pacific would be flanked on the oceans by a fine fleet of ships—not to mention a controlling interest in the main Asiatic railways. With a view of picking up where his father left off, Averell formed a shipping company, American Ship and Commerce, bought a lot of ships and, as the first link in the Harriman global chain, pushed boldly out upon the German trade route. W. A. Harriman & Co., Inc., which he founded in 1919, was one of the first U.S. banking houses to make a play for business in Central and Eastern Europe. Through it he teamed up with the Anaconda group in a big scheme to develop the coal and zinc mines of Upper Silesia. But Wall Street best remembers him as the brash young capitalist who thought he could do business with Bolshevik Russia.

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eign exchange to pay for machine tools and other machinery, auctioned off 20-year exclusive rights to their manganese exports. As high bidder, Harriman's group undertook to manage the mines in Georgia, build a new concentration plant and market the ore, a \$5,000,000 proposition. In 1926 Harriman visited Moscow and talked with Trotsky. He departed with two unfavorable impressions: first, the Russians would never in his lifetime master machinery, let alone the higher technique of industrial organization; second, Stalin's rise almost certainly foreshadowed a drastic end to foreign concessionaires. Harriman suddenly decided, on his return to New York, to pull out of Russia entirely. Although the U.S.S.R. made what he described as a "fair settlement" on his outlay, Averell's manganese venture cost him several million dollars. Meanwhile his shipping company, after a fine start, had run into heavy weather. Under fierce competition from subsidized foreign lines, he decided in 1926 to sell his old ships and haul down his flag on the ocean.

Wall Street was not surprised, therefore, by the noticeably hasty merger, in 1930, of W. A. Harriman & Co., Inc. and the century-old international banking house of Brown Brothers & Co. Today Brown Brothers, Harriman & Co. is the last private bank of any magnitude remaining in New York. It is a notably conservative institution whose gently born partners, among them brother Roland, find pleasure in the fact that they were, for the most part, all together at Yale.

Averell's empire-building phase ended inaudibly in 1932 after his mother and Judge Lovett died, a few months apart. He returned to the Union Pacific as board chairman. That he was not without business acumen was demonstrated by his vigorous backing of the U. P.'s bold expansion program during the depression, which introduced the streamliner, the all-coach train with cheap dining-car service. He is also credited with promoting Sun Valley as a winter traffic-stimulator.

### "Come on, Averell"

E. H. always insisted that money never meant anything to him—only the "power of creation, getting into partnership with nature in doing good." Averell, in the process of losing it, experienced much the same satisfaction. If he showed himself in the 1920s to be something less than a financial giant, he nevertheless cut a handsome figure on the polo fields. He turned to his sport after a peculiar horse allergy, characterized by a painful swelling of the nose and a gasping for breath, forced him to give up trotting races. Averell discovered that the condition developed only when he rode behind the animal in a sulky, not when he was on it. Polo was obviously indicated and, although not a graceful horseman, by assiduous practice he soon achieved an eight-goal handicap (10 is tops) and in 1928 played for the U.S. team in the international matches against Argentina.

If there were a decathlon championship for millionaires, Averell would unquestionably win it. He is a virtuoso in all kinds of games—croquet, bowling, handball, pool, badminton. His proficiency here, as in other matters, is attributed by his opponents not to brilliancy but to fiendish concentration—Averell makes every game his temporary profession. He has been heard to mutter, after making a poor shot, "Come on, Averell, you can do better than that."

Not the least engaging aspect of Harriman's character is that he has managed to have a wonderful time without many people ever suspecting it. During the '20s and '30s his staid banker's day on Wall Street with people of his own kind was set off north of 42nd Street by a gay night life in which his companions were novelists, dramatists, journalists, Hollywood and Broadway people—Robert Sherwood, the late Heywood Brown, Harpo Marx—people of brains but little property. Before Arden was turned over to the Navy during the war as a convalescent home, his Thanksgiving parties were a high spot of the New York season. They began Wednesday evenings, with 40 or 50 guests, and the last stragglers departed Monday morning. The bowling alleys in the cellar banged all night long, there was badminton in the stately organ room, with the feathered bird flying dizzily past the soaring pipes; endless games of backgammon, gin rummy, Chinese checkers and bridge, and elaborate "murder" games. The kitchen and the bar never closed.

Such goings-on do not make for a quiet married life. In 1928 Averell divorced his first wife, the former Kitty Lanier Lawrence, of a prominent New York family, whom he had married two years after his graduation from Yale. Not quite a year later he married Marie Norton Whitney, the divorced wife of Cornelius Vanderbilt ("Sonny") Whitney. Harriman had two daughters, both extremely attractive, by the first marriage. The older, Mary, now the wife of Dr. Shirley Fisk, is a young New York matron. The younger, Kath-



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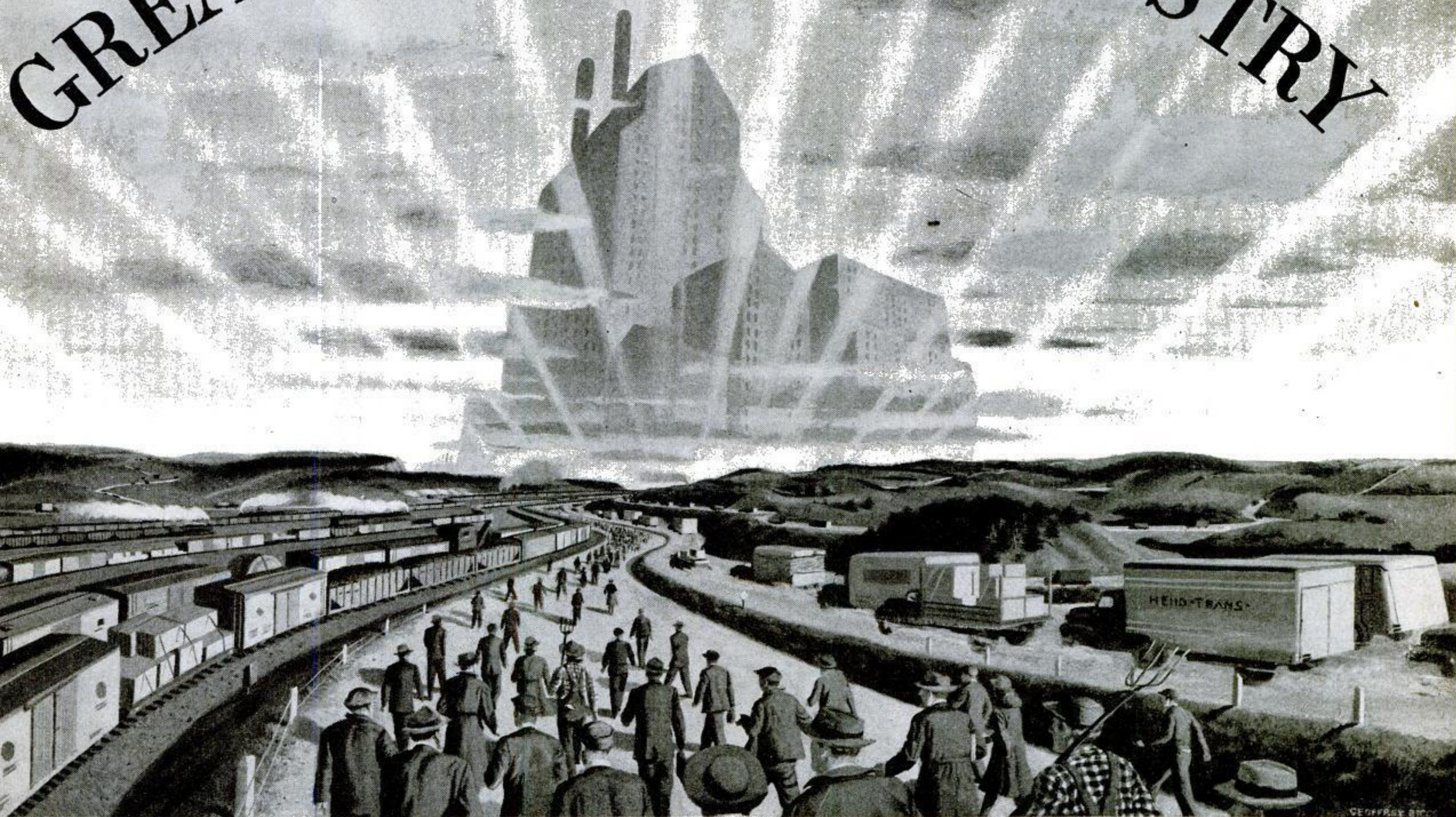
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leen ("Kathy"), now in her late 20s, has her father's dark, angular handsomeness, slow ways and inward humor. During the war, when a bad case of eye trouble kept her mother at home, she was her father's companion in London and Moscow. She is now an assistant editor of *Newsweek*, in which the Harrimans have substantial holdings.

According to brother Roland, Averell got seriously interested in politics in 1932. "He realized, as we all did, that we were in a period of changes. Averell thought Mr. Roosevelt had some sound ideas if they were properly executed." Brother Roland felt the change, too, but remained, if anything, a stancher Republican. Averell, who had voted for Al Smith in 1928, chiefly out of an international banker's disgust with Republican tariff policies, also crossed the line for keeps.

Directly after Mr. Roosevelt's election he went to him with an offer to cooperate in breaking the depression. Although Roosevelt was cordial he did not take his fellow "Grottie" into the inner circle of White House advisers. Along with the other "enlightened" businessmen, Averell served his government apprenticeship on the Business Advisory Council of the Department of Commerce, eventually becoming chairman. He also rose to chief administrative officer of NRA.

Because he never gave his political affiliation in *Who's Who in America*, the more suspicious New Dealers were sure that, like the aristocrats of the French Revolution, he had crossed the barricades not as a true believer but as a hedging operation. These suspicions were inadvertently stirred up after the 1940 election by Wendell Willkie in a famous exchange with Mr. Roosevelt. Harriman's name came up and the President in parenthetical playfulness said, "Confidentially, Wendell, Averell contributed \$25,000 to my campaign." Willkie shot back, "Confidentially, Franklin, he contributed \$25,000 to mine."

Brother Roland was active on the Republican side. If his contribution to the Republican campaign and those of the entire family are added up, the total probably wouldn't be far from Willkie's figure. But Averell insists that he himself gave Willkie only \$1,000, not for the presidential campaign but before the convention, to help him win the Republican nomination. "Wendell and I saw alike on foreign policy," he said. "If it had to be a Republican, I hoped it would be he." But for a long time many New Dealers were prone to measure the gift as a 25-to-1 covering operation against a Republican upset.

In the end it was a harness-maker's son, the late Harry Hopkins, who finally worked the polo-playing, multimillionaire into the Presidential inner circle. Some New Dealers think Harriman cultivated Hopkins to gain favors for himself. Actually they were mutual protégés. As a friend says, "Hopkins was an Iowa hick in the big city, impressed by opulence and position and all the rest." Harriman, genuinely captivated, introduced him to the world of rolling estates of Long Island and Virginia, yachts, beautiful women and "21".

Then, when war came, Hopkins opened his world to Harriman: the world of Prime Ministers, Presidents, Chiefs of Staff, Air Marshals, Admirals of the Fleet, Ambassadors Extraordinary and Ministers Plenipotentiary; the world of Very Important Persons and briefcases crammed with top secrets; of limousines with slitted headlights sliding through the blackout toward secret airports.

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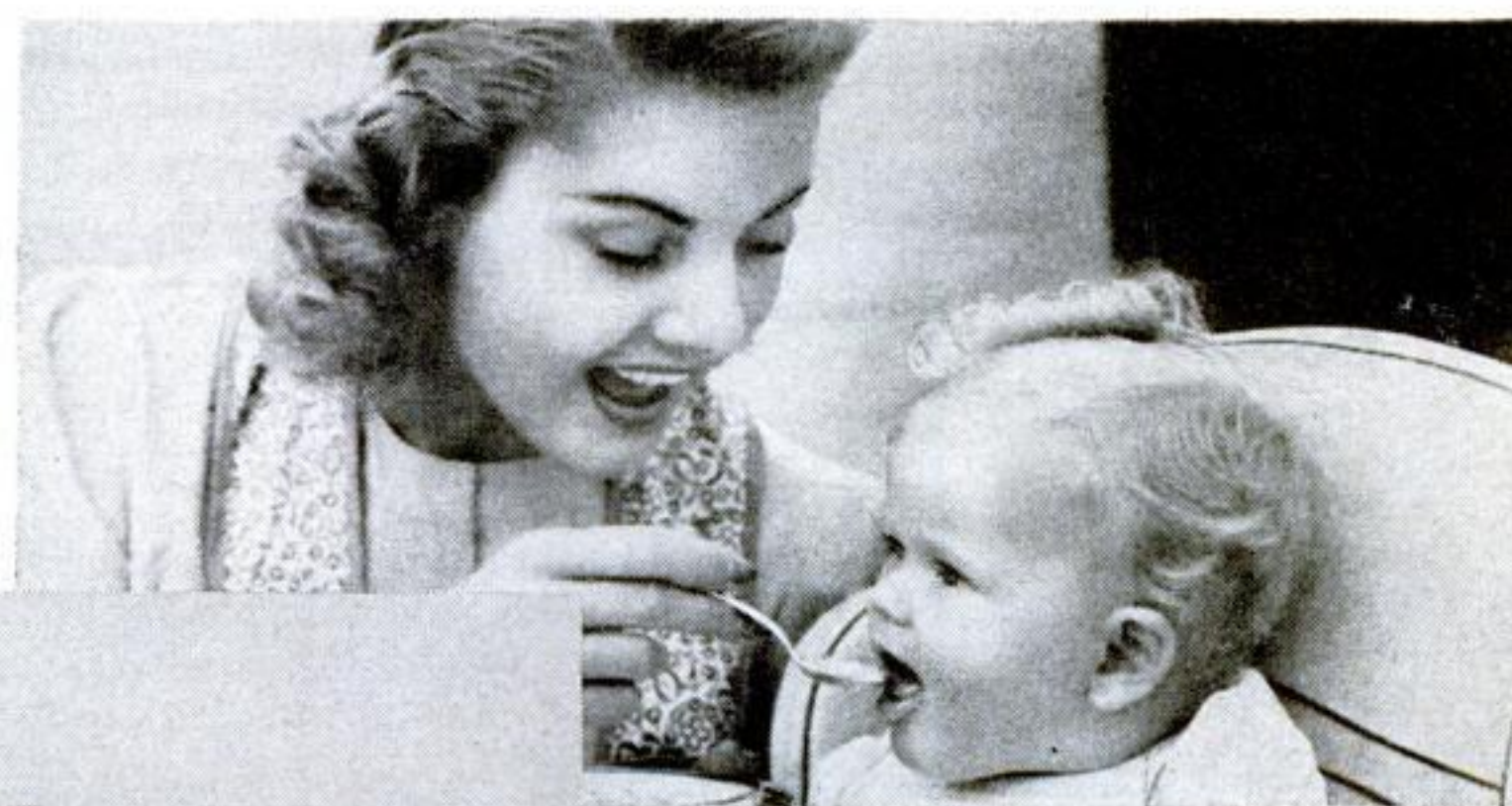
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primeval civilian war agencies, began when Hopkins asked him to fly to London in March, 1941, just before the passage of the Lend-Lease bill. "I started with the war in England," Averell says, "and grew up with it." Although he likes to point out that "My only authority was to recommend," his position in London as American representative on the various supply agencies and as Hopkins' agent, in direct communication with the White House, made him more important in some ways than Ambassador Winant. Churchill had him over at No. 10 Downing St. night after night. However, his unique career as a conference-attender was his own inspiration. He was not among the favored few singled out to attend the fabulously secret Atlantic Charter meeting; rather he turned up as an extra passenger aboard Assistant Secretary of State Sumner Welles's airplane and crashed the gate. And in August, 1942, when the unhappy Churchill flew to Moscow from Cairo to break the news to Stalin there would be no second front that year, he wangled a place on his own hook aboard the airplane. These experiences, combined with the fact of his having previously subbed for Hopkins, who was ill, on Lord Beaverbrook's original supply mission to Moscow, qualified him as an expert on the top secrets of the war. Thereafter he went to high strategy conferences as a matter of course—"I want you around," said the President, "in order to keep up the continuity." In making the rounds he became perhaps the most "air-traveled civilian" of the war with 30-odd Atlantic crossings to his credit.

Reflecting on his good fortune, he has asked himself how he ever managed to get on so well with the President and Hopkins. Having passed through the fires of OPM, where every man's first question of his neighbor was "What's his game?" "What's he trying to do to me?", he rather imagines it is because he never pushed himself—not too brashly anyway—and avoided publicity.

Those were Hopkins' virtues also, and without quite realizing it Harriman became to Hopkins what Hopkins was to the President: agent, confessor, friend. In 1943, when the President decided to change ambassadors at Moscow, he was a natural choice. His arrival in Moscow in October of that year, escorted by Secretary Hull and Foreign Minister Anthony Eden, was welcomed by the Kremlin as opening a direct line to the White House.

## Mission to Moscow

HIS mission, as Harriman saw it, was to serve three principal ends: to keep the U.S.S.R. in the European war; to get it into the Japanese war early enough to take some of the strain; to arrive at a basis for cooperation after the war. The test he applied to everything was: "Does it help our relations with the Russians?" Because of his unique status, his messages often went directly to the White House with a postscript saying, "Perhaps it would be wise to show this to the Secretary of State."

As late as Yalta, Harriman exulted to a friend, "We have almost certainly won the war and are winning the peace." It was post-Yalta disillusionment—the dreary substance of later headlines—that made him realize the tovarisch policy was played out. He was the only Western diplomat, aside from Mr. Churchill, to stand up to the Russians inside the Kremlin. He was hard and stubborn on the Polish question. "There were many battles," he says simply.

As one would expect, a man accustomed to doing as he pleased fumed over the many restrictions and inconveniences of life in Russia. But these were not the things that finally fixed his attitude toward Russia. It was that nothing further was to be gained by continuing to give in to the Kremlin. It was the hard fact that Russia meant business; the wartime ally, he saw, was on the move and, unless checked, the "free society" of the Western World was in danger of being overwhelmed.

"There is," he says, "a peculiar illusion that American policy toward Russia has changed. Our policy did not change. It was Russian policy that changed."

In a solemn mood, Harriman flew from Moscow to the San Francisco Conference to warn the American delegation of the urgent importance of standing up to Russia. "I've been hibernating with the Bear," he announced gravely. He spent a good deal of time with Senator Vandenberg and gave several off-the-record interviews to newspapermen. Molotov—who had been dispatched to the meeting by Stalin only at Harriman's and Hopkins' strong insistence—got wind of what he was up to and his feelings were fleetingly revealed in a curious scene before the elevator at the Fairmont Hotel. Chance brought the two men to the elevator at the same split second. The American lifted his hat and halted. The Russian bowed coldly and strode ahead; his bodyguard and aides pushed behind, filling the elevator and leaving the American Ambassador flustered and em-

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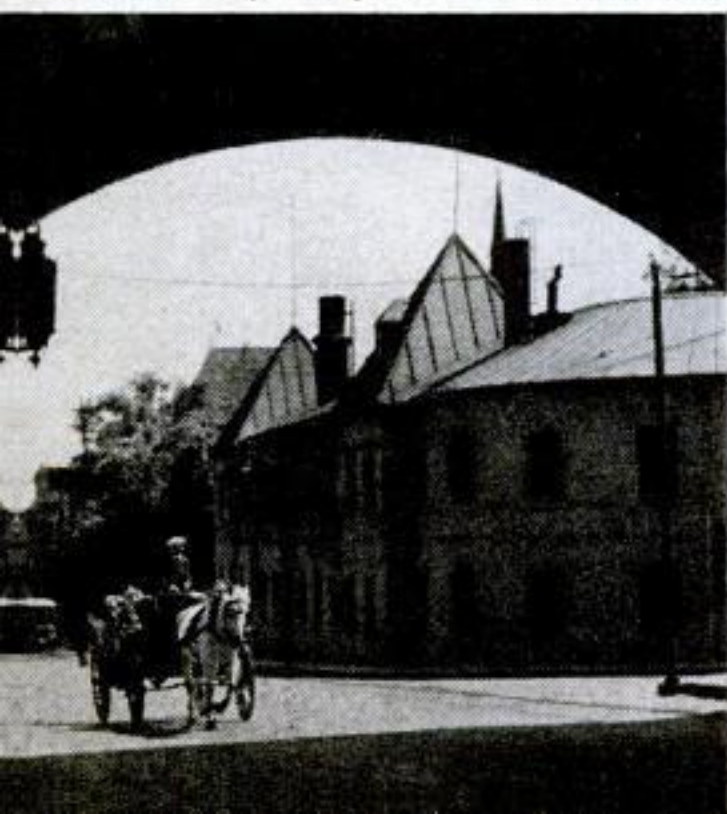
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barrassed outside. A bystander detected a malicious gleam in Molotov's glasses. Not until after a perceptible pause did he bark at one of his bodyguards, who stepped out, making barely enough room for Harriman to squeeze in backward. The elevator shot upward.

On Harriman's return to Moscow, protocol required that the fiction of good feeling be maintained to the end. Stalin had him down to his mysterious Black Sea retreat. As a gesture of international amity, Harriman, in company with his daughter, rode around the ring of the empty Budenny Cavalry School on the two fine horses which Stalin had given him. He arranged the Moscow meeting of December, last year, which attempted to resolve the impasse of the London Conference. He helped to negotiate the Soong-Molotov treaty whereby the Kremlin in effect promised to cut the Chinese Communists adrift. Last January, realizing that his mission was finished, he began his second retreat from Moscow.

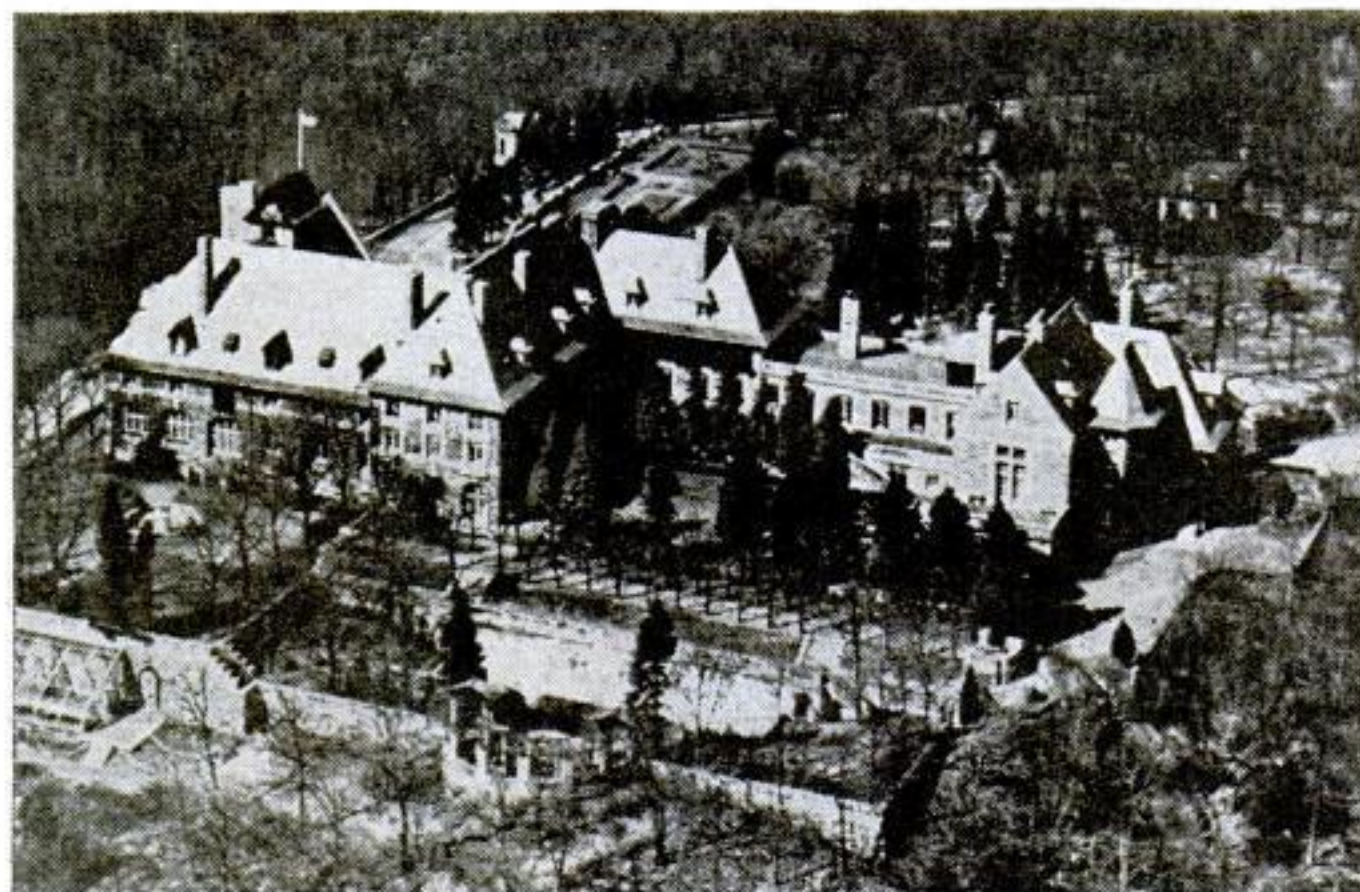
The appointment to London which followed last spring was doubly gratifying to Harriman. He felt that as a New Dealer he could tell his British socialist friends things about Russia and the U.S. they would never take from an American conservative. He made a fine start in London toward restoring the morale of an embassy rendered jittery by Ambassador Winant's eccentricities and was genuinely disappointed to leave.

Manifestly, Ulysses grubbing over papers in the Doric colonnaded placidity of Commerce is scarcely the Ulysses of world diplomacy. The department now is pretty much a haunted house. In domestic commerce the principal levers of economic control are all in other departments; and on blue water Will Clayton of the State Department sets the economic course.

So far Harriman has made few changes inside the department. He has a tendency to scold corporation vice presidents at private dinners and to say belligerently, "If you fellows think I'm the agent of big business in Washington, you're mistaken." Some of his listeners got the impression that he does not seem to realize how far businessmen have moved during his absence abroad. Yet, although he shuns the role of special pleader for business, no one could be more sincere in wanting to encourage it. His knowledge of a shattered world has taught him that the U.S., with only 6% of the world's population but half of its industrial activity, is "the overpowering force." The first need is to get the U.S. machine going again in high gear. If it runs sweetly, everything becomes possible. ("There will be no war if we, as a country, remain strong, physically and spiritually.") Into a life hitherto governed by mild enthusiasm and a vestryman's conscience, Harriman's vision of the free society has injected hard core of purpose.

Unfortunately the restraints enforced upon a high government official, as well as his innate caution, keep him from ever being Paul Revere. As a statesman on the public stage he is wary, cagey and something of a bore. But in his private conversations, off-the-record talks with small groups, he speaks with a vigor and incisiveness that constantly surprises people who knew him only as a self-contained, unimpressionable man. His friends, though lamenting his coldness, are impressed by the obvious fact that "he has grown."

The point about Harriman is that Russia taught him that the free society, while it could take in social security, full employment theories and all kinds of other things, must stay away from "social engineering"; must leave room for the full expression of men's minds and souls. So at long last E. H. Harriman's son appears to have found his equivalent of the "rusted streak of iron." It is the free society.



ARDEN, Harriman's boyhood home, is a 150-room castle designed in style of French Renaissance, separated from the forest by acres of formal gardens.

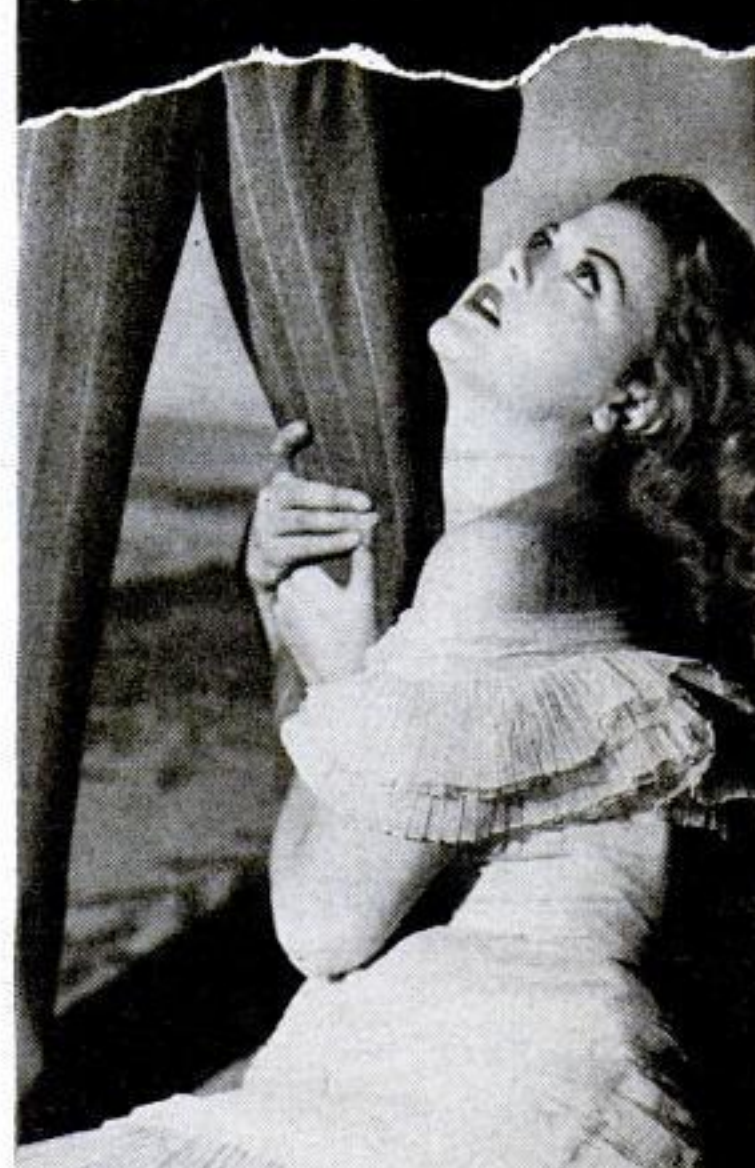


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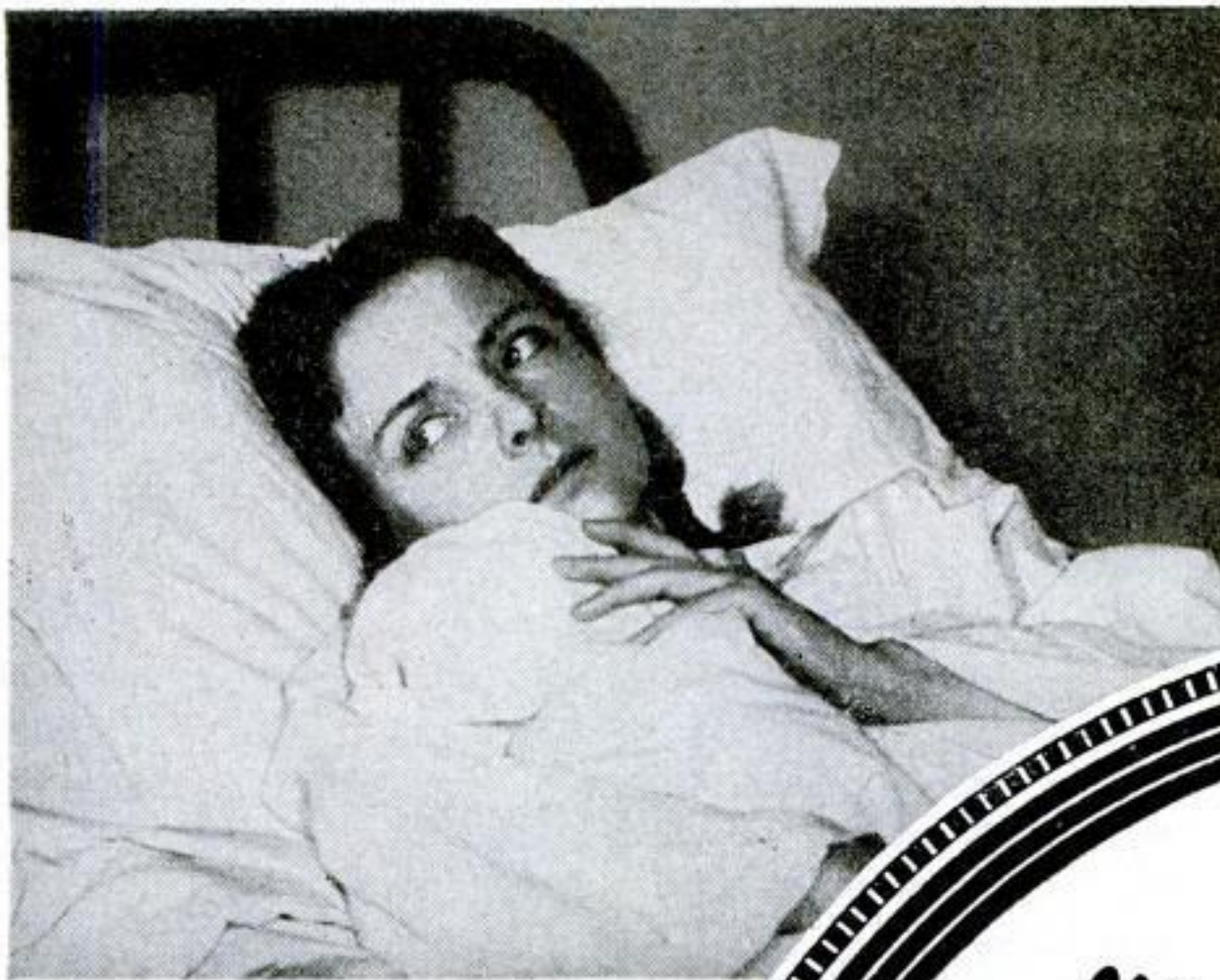


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## MOVIE OF THE WEEK:

# *It's a Wonderful Life*

**Frank Capra's top-notch comedy has James Stewart as a hard-luck hero who forgets to count his blessings**

*It's a Wonderful Life* is the first movie since 1941 for both its star, James Stewart, and its producer-director, Frank Capra (*Mr. Deeds Goes to Town*, *You Can't Take It With You*). It is also the first production ever for Liberty Films, a small movie company owned mostly by Capra, Directors William Wyler and George Stevens. With *Wonderful*, all hands are getting off to a good postwar start.

All the best Frank Capra movies have had the same hero. Generally played by Gary Cooper or Jimmy Stewart, they are honest, likable and naive young men who get played for suckers by the Philistines of this world. The hero of *It's a Wonderful Life* is George Bailey, who runs a one-horse building-and-loan company in upstate New York. All his life George yearns to get out of Bedford Falls and travel to far-off places, but circumstance and responsibility to others always keep him tethered. At 39, he is poor, married and the father of four when his bank suddenly faces ruin and George himself faces jail. Discouraged and convinced that his life has been a complete failure, he decides to commit sui-

cide. Then a guardian angel appears, shows George what would have happened to his town and to the people he loves if he had never been born. He is sufficiently appalled by what he sees to realize he has done considerable good with his life.

With this strong plot as foundation, Director Capra has created a masterful edifice of comedy and sentiment. Except for a few unnecessarily rambunctious moments, James Stewart is excellent in one of the longest movie parts on record. Even after five years away in the Army, he seems about the best leading man in pictures. Donna Reed is hardly less satisfactory as his wife.

Along with *The Best Years of Our Lives*, *The Razor's Edge* and the soon-to-be-released *Duel in the Sun* and *The Yearling*, Frank Capra's \$2,700,000 production was put before the public right at the end of the year deliberately so it would be easy to remember at Academy Award time next March. This year's competition is the stiffest since 1939, when *Gone with the Wind*, *Wuthering Heights* and *Goodbye, Mr. Chips* fought it out. Just the same, no one would be wise to sell short on *It's a Wonderful Life*.



DIRECTOR FRANK CAPRA





**1** **YOUNG GEORGE BAILEY** saves his brother from drowning but becomes deaf in one ear. The Baileys are prominent and highly respected citizens of Bedford Falls, N. Y.



**2** **GROWN-UP GEORGE BAILEY** and Mary Hatch (James Stewart and Donna Reed) go home in borrowed clothes after falling into a swimming pool during school dance.



**3** **DUTY CALLS** George at his father's death. He gives up college to manage the family's tiny bank, which is coveted by wealthy, mean Old Man Potter (Lionel Barrymore, right).



**4** **LOVE COMES** to George when he takes up again with Mary after five years. By now George has given up dreams of education and travel and is firmly tied to his home town.



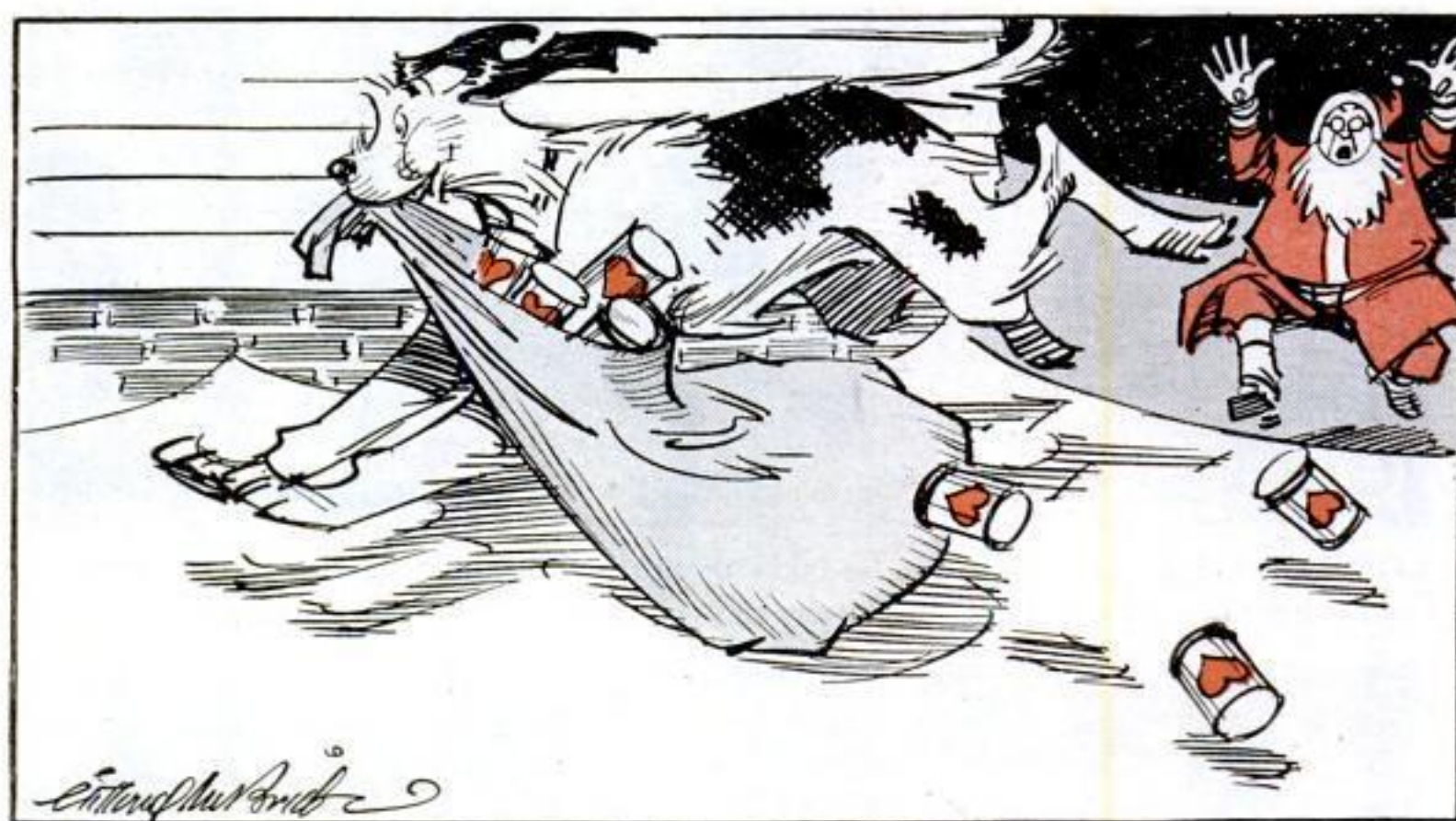
**5** **ON HIS HONEYMOON** George has to leave Mary to stop a 1932 run on his bank. If it fails, Potter will control the whole town and be able to prevent new home building.



**6** **IN THE BANK** George rallies confidence by convincing depositors that the town will never be free of slums if the bank fails. He also lends out his honeymoon money.



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"It's a Wonderful Life" CONTINUED



**POTTER STEALS** \$8,000 in bank funds from George's unknowing Uncle Billy (Thomas Mitchell, right). Hating George's bank, Potter hopes to ruin it.

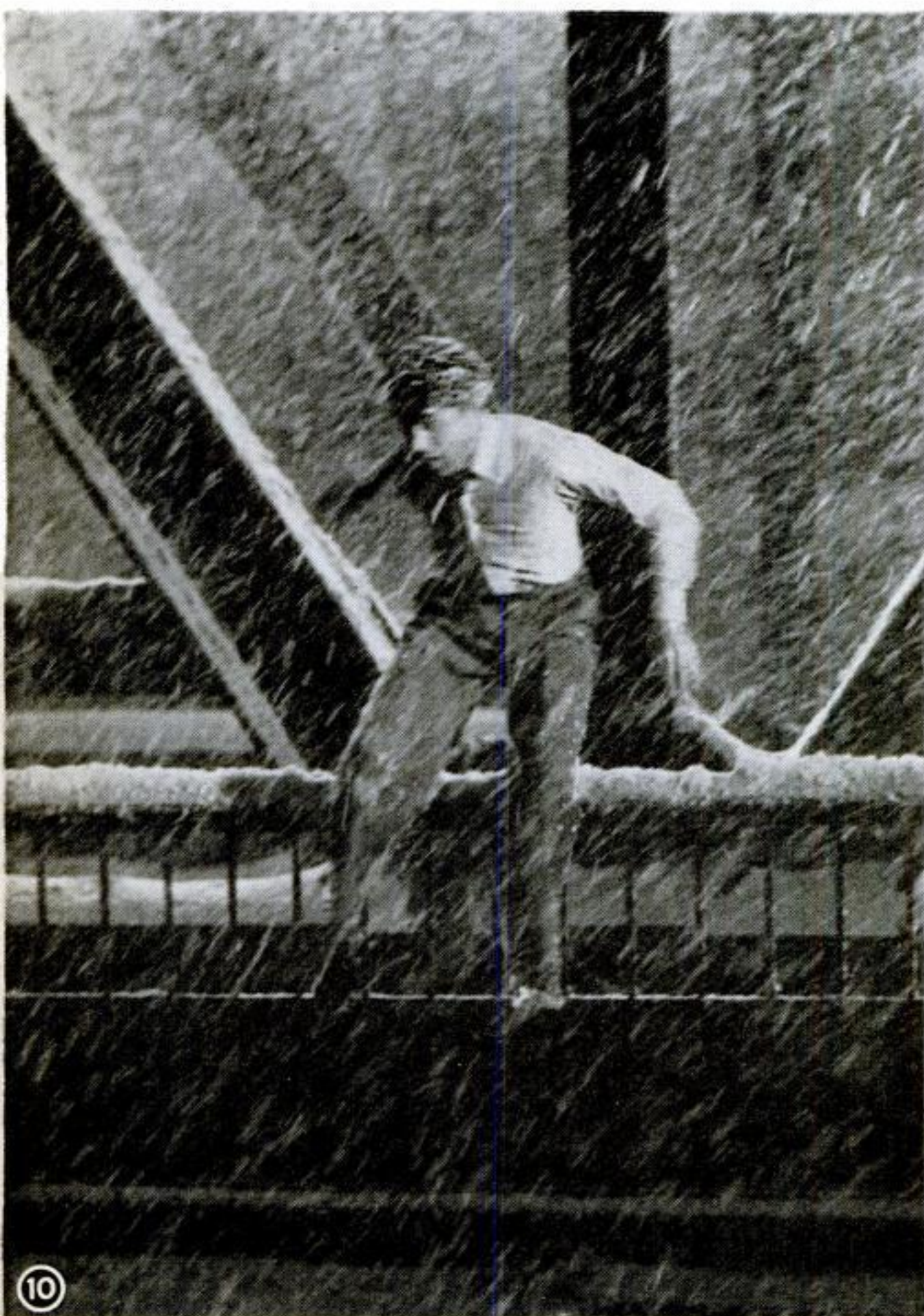


**IN THE BANK** George searches wildly for the money so he can balance his books. In desperation he begs Potter to lend him \$8,000. Potter calls police





**AT HOME** the hopeless George sees his life has been an utter failure. He becomes angry with his wife and children and slams out, resolved to get drunk.



**ON A BRIDGE** George decides he would rather commit suicide than go to jail. But before jumping he hears a call for help from a man already drowning.

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"It's a Wonderful Life" CONTINUED

## GEORGE IS SHOWN WHAT WOULD HAVE



**THE RESCUED MAN** turns out to be George's guardian angel (Henry Travers, left), a dull-witted spirit sent from heaven. Upon hearing the still unhappy



**DREAMWORLD** of what might have been begins in a bar. Here George learns that, except for him, his town would have been corrupted by Potter.



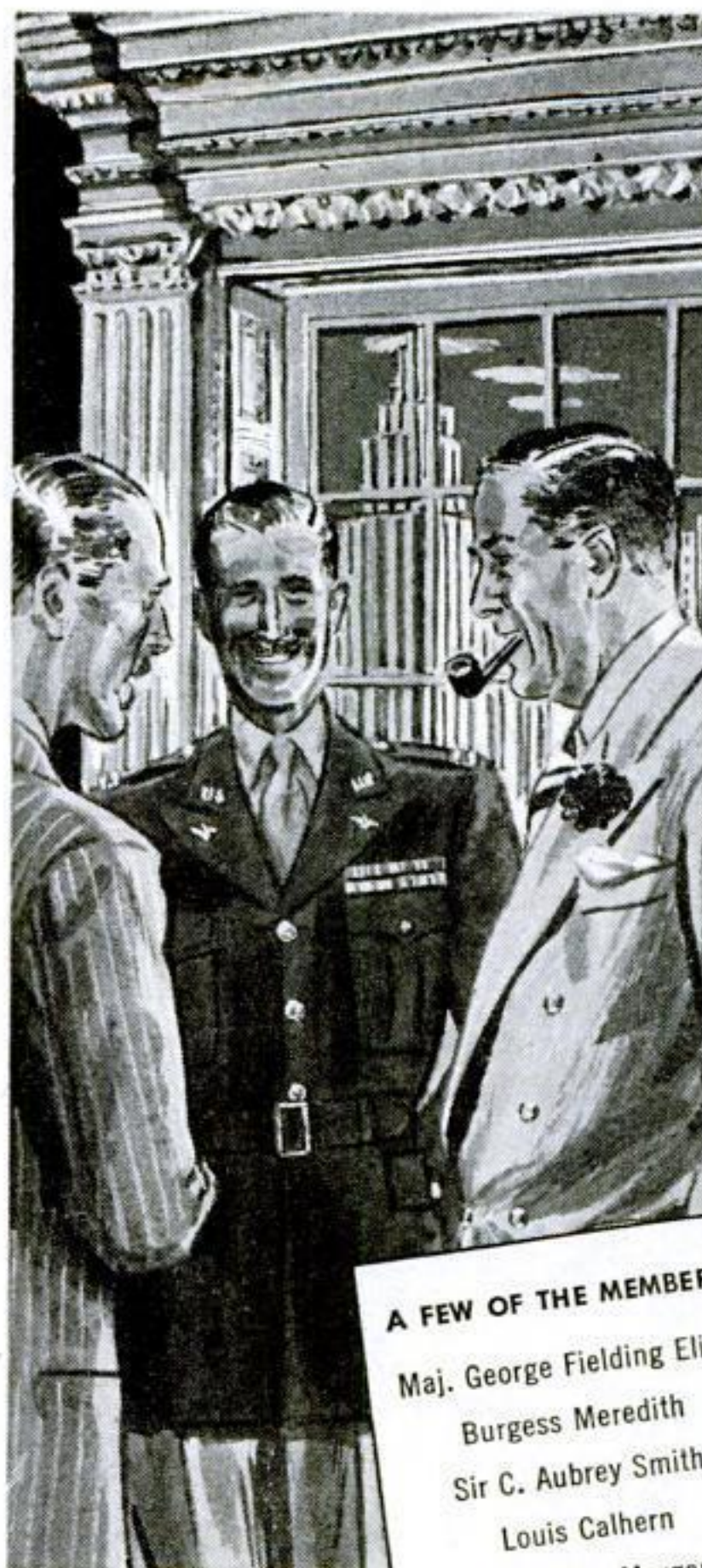
# HAPPENED IF HE HAD NEVER LIVED



George say he wishes that he had never been born, the angel offers to show George what would have happened to Bedford Falls if he had never existed.



DREAM CONTINUES as George wildly accosts Mary, fated to be a spinster without him to love. Soon George sees his life has not been a failure after all.



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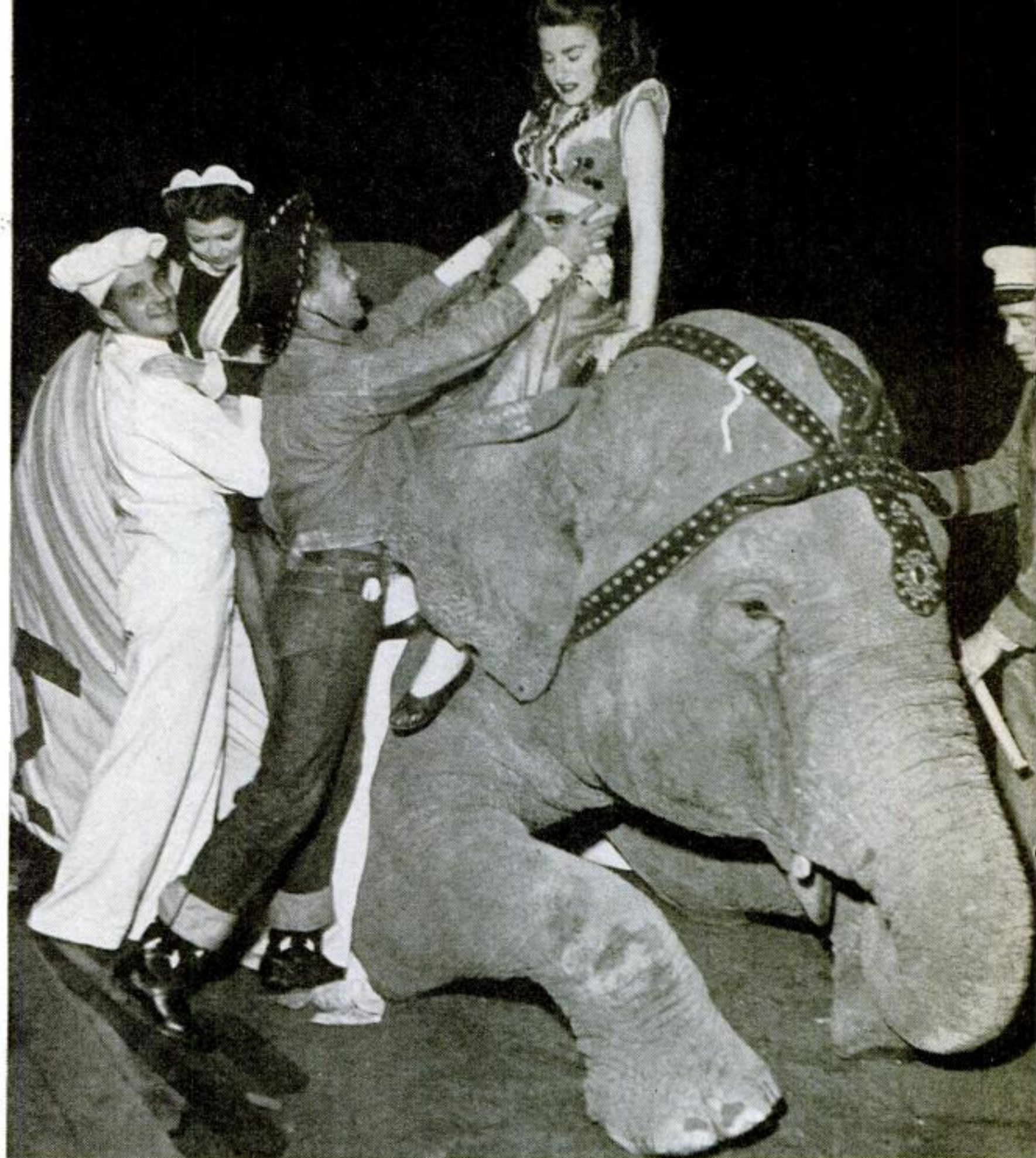
**A LONG-LEGGED COED** gets hoisted atop a circus wagon which will take her to the Sigma Alpha Epsilon circus-masquerade party at U.C.L.A. The inside of the wagon,

which normally is used for lions by a local circus, was already full of other guests. Halfway to the party the wagon broke down and the girls and their hosts continued on foot.





DELIGHTED DATES WERE CARRIED OFF TO THE WAGON BY BOYS IN BEARS' HEADS



BONNIE, A MOURNFUL ELEPHANT, PROVIDED A LIFT TO THE PARTY FOR TWO COEDS

## Life Goes to a Fraternity Circus Party

California students enliven a masquerade by calling for pretty coeds in a lion cage towed by an elephant

The frolics on these pages, combining the elements of a circus parade and a freshman-sophomore flag rush, clearly show that a gulf of at least a sixteenth of an inch separates the postwar college student from his goldfish-swallowing pre-war brother. This particular phenomenon took place this month at the University of California at Los Angeles when the Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity gave its annual masquerade party, a widely known West Coast college event. Eschewing minor and prosaic forms of transport, the fraternity members rented a 30-foot mobile lion cage in which to call for their ladies at the campus sorority houses. To pull it they engaged the services of Bonnie, the 4½-ton pachyderm

shown in the picture at upper right. Sorrowful Bonnie had nowhere near as much fun as the girls, who seemed to enjoy being snatched up masterfully by escorts dressed as bears. Various costumes as bearded ladies, clowns, harem dancers, the girls were greeted at the fraternity house by a barker (*see below, left*) announcing the attractions inside, which included a big sawdust ring. Falling into the carnival spirit, the 220 guests danced, watched sword swallowers, ate popcorn balls and held singing sessions, but the evening was capped by the capture of three students from the rival University of Southern California. The culprits were soundly paddled and had their heads shaved (*see below, right*).



SIDESHOW "BARKER" chivies coeds about their costumes as he hands out admission tickets to "main tent."



COSTUMED DANCERS seem to be wearing pajamas but looked different with headdress on (*see next page*).



PRISONER'S HAIRCUT was administered to a U.S.C. student who was captured painting up U.C.L.A. property.





**MAKE-BELIEVE RABBITS**, Bud Jones and Muriel Goodwin in ordinary campus life, made the most startling and effective appearance at the masquerade party. The

costumes were sewn together by Miss Goodwin from old bed sheeting, pieces of dark felt and cotton batting for less than a dollar. The entire party cost a little under \$400.



"season's best..."

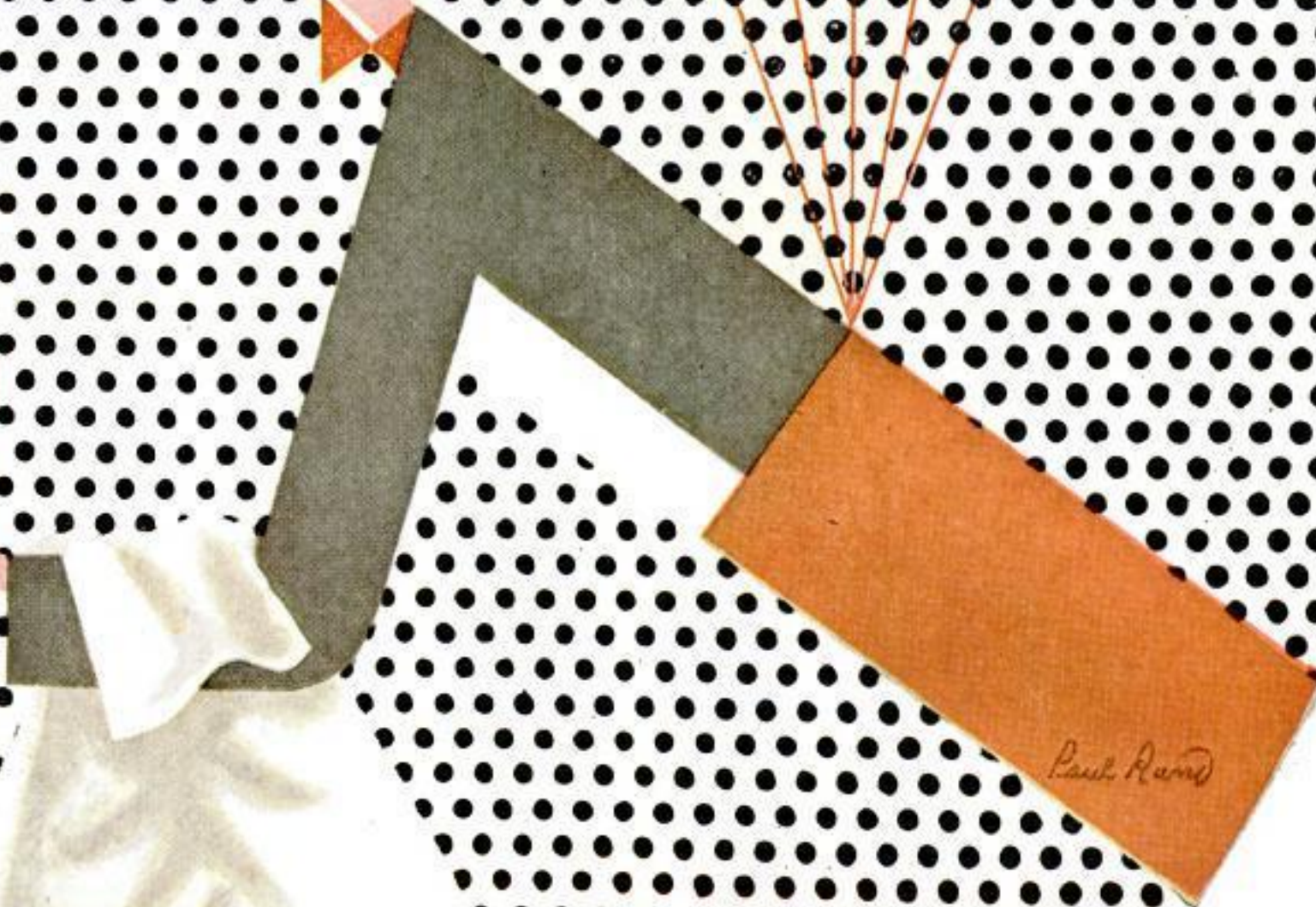
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